

SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

No: 610

SECTION: FINANCES

TITLE: PURCHASES SUBJECT TO BID

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	610. PURCHASES SUBJECT TO BID
1. Authority SC 751, 807.1	It is the policy of the Board to obtain competitive bids for products and services where such bids are required by law or where such bids may be believed to bring about a cost saving to the school district.
2. Guidelines SC 120, 751, 807.1	The amounts contained in this policy regarding competitive bid and price quotation requirements are subject to adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index.
SC 751, 807.1	<u>Competitive Bids</u> When seeking competitive bids, the Board shall advertise once a week for three (3) weeks in not less than two (2) newspapers of general circulation. After due public notice advertising for competitive bids, the Board shall be authorized to:
SC 807.1	1. Purchase furniture, equipment, school supplies and appliances costing a base amount of \$19,100 or more, unless exempt by law.
SC 751	2. Contract for construction, reconstruction, repairs, maintenance or work on any school building or property having a total cost or value of more than \$19,100 unless exempt by law.
SC 751, 807.1	The Board prohibits the practice of splitting purchases to avoid advertising and bidding requirements. With kind, quality and material being equal, the bid of the lowest responsible bidder meeting bid specifications shall be accepted upon resolution of the Board, unless the Board chooses to reject all bids.
SC 751	The Board recognizes that emergencies may occur when imminent danger exists to persons or property or continuance of existing school classes is threatened, and time for bidding cannot be provided because of the need for immediate action. Bidding decisions in the event of such emergencies shall be made in accordance with existing legal requirements.

