



**Colby Community College (CCC) – Welding Machine
RFP (Submission deadline is noon on 2 November 2023)**

Overview and Background:

Colby Community College is located in the northwest corner of Kansas, approximately 50 miles from the Colorado and Nebraska borders. The college was established in 1964; it is a dynamic institution of more than 2,400 students. In addition to a main campus of approximately 60 acres, CCC operates a 60-acre farm for students to use as a hands-on laboratory and training facility.

CCC is seeking bids for four (4) new Welding Machines for their new Feedlot Certificate program on their 60-acre farm.

Project Goals:

CCC is seeking competitive, sealed bids in order to purchase four (4) new Welding Machines for their 60-acre farm for instruction on welding for their new Welding Certificate program.

General Information:

CCC is requesting four (4) new Welding Machines to meet or exceed the following specifications:

- **Welding machine:** Stick and Flux-Cored Welding
- **Approximate Length:** 40.5
- **Approximate Width:** 20
- **Approximate Height:** 28
- **Approximate Weight:** 501
- **Horsepower:** 23.5 hp
- **Single-Phase Generator Peak Power:** 11000 W
- **Single-Phase Generator Continuous Power:** 9500 W
- **Engine Idle Speed:** 2300RPM
- **Min DC Welding Amperage:** 40
- **Max DC Welding Amperage:** 260

- **Amperage Range:** 40 A - 260 A
- **Current Type:** AC | DC
- **Weldable Metals:** Aluminum | Stainless Steel | Steel
- **Engine:** Gas engine drive with remote start
- **Flowmeter:** Regular with hose
- **Cable:** Welding 1/0 reel black flex-e-prene, 96 feet
- **Connector Set:** LC-40, 8 total
- **Electrode Holder:** AF-3
- **Ground Clamp:** 9205-1130
- **Lines:** 3 – assembled as 12ft 300 amp ground and electrode holder
- **Package:** suitcase 12RD KDD with meters, T H, Q300 AMP gun

Any questions can be directed to Adalaide Kline, Beef Director, at (785) 460-5465 or adalaide.kline@colbycc.edu.

The RFP will be posted on CCC's website, <https://www.colbycc.edu/vendors>, and can be downloaded from there directly as of 5:00 p.m. on 18 October 2023.

Project Timeline:

The Welding Machine bids proposed **MUST** include an ETA for delivery. Classes are being taught in the fall semester, and it is desired to have the Welding Machines for instruction by 1 January 2024. If you are not able to meet or exceed this deadline, please provide a timeline that you are able to accommodate.

Submission of Proposals:

Respondents to this RFP must submit their sealed proposal – by hand or email – no later than 12:00 p.m. (CST) on 2 November 2023, to Sheri Knight, located in the Thomas Hall Administration Office (CCC's Main Campus), or via email sheri.knight@colbycc.edu.

*The proposals will be opened by the Vice President of Business Affairs.

Anticipated Selection Schedule:

All submitted proposals will be reviewed and evaluated, and then CCC will recommend a proposal to accept to the Board of Trustees (BOT); the BOT meeting will be held on 20 November 2023. The selected vendor will be notified within 24 hours after the BOT has approved a recommendation.

Elements of Proposal:

A submission should, at a minimum, include the following elements:

1. Manufacturer and model of unit being proposed.
2. All additional options.
3. Please disclose the Manufacture Suggested Retail Price (MSRP).
4. Specific warranty details for each unit proposed.
5. Document any related fees or processing fees.
6. Document any delivery fees to have the items delivered to CCC.
7. Timeframe to secure and deliver items.

Mandatory Disclosures:

Tax Exempt:

Colby Community College (CCC) is a tax-exempt entity. All bids should reflect no sales tax included in the final submission.

Exclusions:

If any exclusions exist as a part of this proposal, vendors must clearly define them in a section labeled *exclusions*.

Sub-Contracted Work (if applicable):

If any of the scope of the project will be outsourced to a third party, the vendor's name and work to be completed must be included in the proposal. CCC reserves the right to request a different subcontracted company.

RFP Questions (if applicable):

Vendors should only direct inquiries and questions to the following individual(s) at CCC. Any communication received by anyone else at CCC should not be included in the proposal.

Point(s) of Contact:

- Sheri Knight, sheri.knight@colbycc.edu or contact her directly at (785) 460-5407.

Statement of Disclosure:

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept that bid which appears to be in the best interest of the college, to waive any informalities in any part of any bid, and to reject any or all bids received after the date and time specified. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for the opening of bids. The bidder to whom the award is made may be required to enter into a written contract with the college and provide a performance or public works bond as required by law or the Board of Trustees (where applicable).