SUBJECT: Snap-on Automotive Tools

The faculty of the School of Business, Entrepreneurship, and Professional Development (BEPD) request a contract for the purchase of tools and equipment used to service and repair vehicles. The purchase includes (5) Snap-on Level 5 Automated Tool Control student toolboxes. Each of the toolboxes will come equipped with the same set of 278 tools used in the automotive service industry (e.g., wrenches, sockets, pliers, chisels, punches, cutters, prybars, drivers, ratchets, AC valve core tool sets, multimeters, etc.). Snap-on will custom make the toolboxes. Each toolbox will have eight drawers. Each drawer will be custom designed with labeled foam inserts to hold a particular tool. The drawers will include lights, mirrors, and cameras that activate automatically whenever the drawer opens or closes to record whether a particular tool gets removed, replaced, or returned with damage. To access the toolbox, a user must login to the onboard monitoring system which keeps a record of the person who removes the tool, the date and time of the removal, and the date and time of the return. The system provides audible alerts to the user when tools are removed or replaced and it includes software that provides site supervisors, administrators, or faculty with the ability to monitor the status of each toolbox including the number of tools issued, the date and time tools were removed or replaced, the active users, and all history. The system can provide the account administrator with email or text message alerts for lost and broken tools or tools that need recalibration. The account administrator can also create custom reports on each tool’s frequency of use, calibration dates, or other site specific requirements.

The cost of (5) Snap-on Level 5 Automated Tool Control student toolboxes, Part #L5ARC541CM, with associated software and badge scanner, 278 tools in each box, and freight totals $197,214.39. Federal Vocational Education Equipment Grant (Perkins) dollars provide 100% of the funds for this purchase.

Snap-on Industrial based its pricing on a NASPO (National Association of State Procurement Officials) group purchasing contract that the State of Michigan Department of Technology, Management, and Budget includes in their MiDEAL program. The NASPO contract meets all federal grant guidelines and the College belongs to both NASPO and MiDEAL.

RECOMMENDATION:
The College administration recommends a contract award to Snap-on Industrial for $197,214.39 for five (5) Snap-on Level 5 Automated Tool Control student toolboxes and associated tools and software, as requested by the School of Business, Entrepreneurship, and Professional Development, in accordance with the Snap-on Industrial Quote #TFPQ-17123-17 dated September 18, 2023.

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