

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**Facilities****ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The County Board or County Superintendent shall engage the services of a licensed architect(s) holding a valid certificate or engineer(s) holding a valid certificate for the preparation of plans, specifications or estimates for any construction project, through a signed contract. (Education Code 17302.)

Firms for any architectural, landscape architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying or construction project management services shall be selected, at fair and reasonable prices, on the basis of demonstrated competence and professional qualifications necessary for the satisfactory performance of the services required. (Government Code 4526.)

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the selection process for projects receiving state funding (Government Code 4526):

1. Ensures that projects entail maximum participation by small business firms as defined pursuant to Government Code 14837.
2. Prohibits practices which might result in unlawful activity such as rebates, kickbacks, or other unlawful consideration.
3. Prohibits County Superintendent employees from participating in the selection process when they have a relationship with a person or business entity seeking a contract which would subject the employee to the prohibition of Government Code 87100.

Contracts shall specify that all plans, specifications, and estimates prepared by the architectural firm shall become the property of the County Board or County Superintendent, as applicable. (Education Code 17316.)

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