

# **NOTICE OF INTENT TO PURCHASE SOLE SOURCE COMMODITIES and/or SERVICES**

DATE/TIME OF INITIAL POSTING

**APPROVED**

By Joe Benjamin at 2:15 pm, Sep 10, 2025

*Joe Benjamin*



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The products and/or services listed below or on the attached pages are believed to be of a unique or proprietary nature and therefore only available from one source. If you believe you have a 'like' product or service to offer, please submit your complete cost proposal including descriptive literature and detailed technical specifications by email to the attention of the buyer listed below. If you prefer you may mail your proposal to the buyer at:

School Administration Building  
Attn: Purchasing Department  
301 Fourth Street SW  
Largo, FL 33770-3536  
Buyer: Tyler Marcum  
Buyer's Email: marcumt@pcsb.org

Bid File Reference No.: 5640-8434

This notice was posted on 09/10/2025. All proposals must be received by the buyer by no later than 4 p.m. E.T. on 09/22/2025. Proposals received after this deadline will not be considered.

Notice of Intent to Award this purchase will be posted in the purchasing department at the address listed above and on the department's Web site @ <http://pcsb.org/Page/745> on or before 10/03/2025.

This purchase will be scheduled for school board approval on 10/14/2025.

Thank you for your interest in Pinellas County Schools



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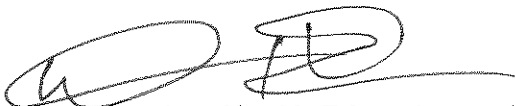
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September 10, 2025

TO: Joe Benjamin, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB  
Director of Purchasing

FROM: Marc Allison, Director   
Athletics, PreK-12 Physical Education, Health Education and School Wellness

RE: Sole Source Officials

Per Florida High School Athletic (FHSA) Policy Bylaw, Article 8 Interscholastic Contests, each member school must use registered officials for all sanctioned interscholastic competitions. Before a contract can be negotiated; the local association must be registered with the FHSA. By reviewing the official's web page of FHSA, there are only the following associations sanctioned to serve Pinellas County in the following sports;

- Sunshine Officials Association, Inc. for football
- Pinellas Area Referees, Inc. for basketball
- Pinellas Sports Officials Association for volleyball & softball (middle school volleyball)
- Pinellas Soccer Officials Association, Inc. for soccer
- Sunshine Volleyball Officials Association for volleyball
- Suncoast Umpires Association for baseball
- Sunshine Officials Association, Inc for wrestling
- Tampa Bay Lacrosse Officials Association for boy's lacrosse
- Tampa Women's Lacrosse Officials for girl's lacrosse

The service they provide for the Pinellas County School Board is currently not duplicated by any other sanctioned official's association, thus they are currently the sole source of this service.