



Contractor Prequalification Bid Process

California Assembly Bill (AB) 1565 went into effect on January 1, 2014. AB 1565 requires ALL General Contractors and M/E/P Subcontractors be prequalified, if the contract is valued at \$1 million or more and funded whole or in part with State Facility Bond funds.

This applies to the following license numbers:

- General Contractors (A and B)
- Mechanical, Engineering, and Plumbing subcontractors (C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-36, C-38, C-42, C-43, and C-46)

Link to law: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/11-12/bill/asm/ab_1551-1600/ab_1565_bill_20120930_chaptered.html

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District has contracted with Colbi Technologies, Inc. to provide a no-cost web-based process for prequalification called QualityBidders. To get started, please visit www.qualitybidders.com.

Applications must be submitted at least ten (10) business days prior to the scheduled bid opening on any advertised project in order for the candidate to qualify for that project. Pre-qualification approval will remain valid for one (1) calendar year from the date of notice of qualification except as noted in the pre-qualification documents.

Please contact Sheere Bishop with any questions at smbishop@smmusd.org. You may also contact support@qualitybidders.com with any questions about the use of the QualityBidders web-based tool or assistance with your application submission.

Thank you for your interest in prequalifying and working with Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District.

Approved Contractors List: [Approved Contractors List Report](#)

Appeals Process: [SMMUSD Pre-Qual Appeals Process](#)

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