

Questions for RFP #251-27-102 – Sign Language Interpreting Services

Vendor Question	Answers
Approximately how many interpreters/transliterators were utilized in the previous school year?	Agency: 15 SLI WCPSS Staff: 5 SLI
Are interpreters typically assigned full-time to one student or shared across multiple students/sites?	Typically, interpreters are assigned to individual students. If the school has more than 1 student requiring SLI, interpreters might share students.
What is the expected turnaround time to fill interpreter requests?	If an agency interpreter, assigned to a student, is absent, the expectation is the agency will meet this need. If WCPSS requests same day coverage for a staff interpreter, the expectation is the agency will attempt to cover the request ASAP. WCPSS will attempt to give 24-48 hours for activities/event requests. The request is processed when the school submits the request.
Is there a high demand for after-hours or event-based interpreting services?	Yes, there can be requests for after-hours or event-based interpreting services.
Are most needs for sign language interpreters or cued language transliterators?	Sign Language Interpreters
What is the typical schedule for these roles (full-day vs part-time)?	Full-day. The daily hours are dependent upon the schools' individual hours.
Are there currently any hard-to-fill interpreter needs we should prioritize?	Extended Content Standards classrooms can be difficult to cover, at times.
Who is/are the current vendor(s)?	Interpreting Works LLC The Interpreter Network, Inc
What are the current rates for these services paid by WCPSS?	*Sign Language Interpreter: \$90.00/hr *Transliterators: \$175.00/hr *Cued Speech: \$150.00 *Tactile Sign: \$150.00 *Sign Language Interpreter: \$65. - \$97.50 *Transliterators: \$65. - \$97.50 *Cued Speech: \$65. - \$97.50 Tactile Sign: \$65. - \$97.50
How many hours of ASL were used in the past 12 months?	WCPSS does not use ASL (American Sign Language) with students. We utilize ASL signs in English word order. Parents/Adults can request ASL.
How many hours of cued speech were used in past 12 months?	0 hours