

**THE
UNIVERSITY
OF RHODE ISLAND**

**DIVISION OF
ADMINISTRATION
AND FINANCE**

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
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BID/PROPOSAL

COMMODITY: _____ DATE: _____

FORMAL BID NO. _____ PUBLIC BID NO. _____

BIDS ARE TO BE RECEIVED IN URI PURCHASING DEPARTMENT BY: DATE: _____ TIME: _____
Eastern Time

BUYER: _____ SURETY REQUIRED: YES: _____ NO: _____

PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: DATE: _____ TIME: _____

MANDATORY: YES: _____ NO: _____

LOCATION: _____

Questions concerning this solicitation must be received by: DATE: _____ TIME: _____

Questions are to be submitted in a *Microsoft Word* document to: URIPurchasing@uri.edu

Please reference the Bid Number on all correspondence. Questions received, if any, will be posted on the Internet as an addendum to the bid. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to download this information.

For Bid Solicitation Information visit: <http://web.uri.edu/purchasing/bid-information/>

STATEMENT REGARDING COVID-19

Effective immediately, we are suspending all in-person public bid openings until further notice

Public Bid responses will be publicly read via Webex video conferencing. To participate in the bid opening, please visit the following site at the scheduled bid opening date and time:

* URL: <https://rhody.webex.com/meet/uripurcasing>

No offer will be considered that is not accompanied by the attached University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer completed and signed by the offeror.

COMPANY NAME: _____

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE: _____

Print Name and Title

Telephone Number/Facsimile Number

Signature

Date

E-mail address

THIS BID WILL NOT BE HONORED UNLESS SIGNED

University of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form
State of Rhode Island Procurement Regulations

ALL OFFERS ARE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS, PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES CONTAINED IN THIS CERTIFICATION FORM. Offerors are expected to read, sign and comply with all requirements. Failure to do so may be grounds for disqualification of the offer contained herein.

Rules for Submitting Offers

This Certification Form must be attached in its entirety to the front of the offer and shall be considered an integral part of each offer made by a vendor to enter into a contract with the University of Rhode Island. As such, submittal of the entire Bidder Certification Form, signed by a duly authorized representative of the offeror attesting that he/she (1) has read and agrees to comply with the requirements set forth herein and (2) to the accuracy of the information provided and the offer extended, is a mandatory part of any contract award.

To assure that offers are considered on time, each offer must be submitted with the specific Bid/RFP/LOI number, date and time of opening marked in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. Each bid/offer must be submitted in separate sealed envelopes.

A complete signed (in ink) offer package must be delivered to the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office by the time and date specified for the opening of responses in a sealed envelope.

Bid responses must be submitted on the URI bid solicitation forms provided, indicating brand and part numbers of items offered, as appropriate. Bidders must submit detailed cuts and specs on items offered as equivalent to brands requested WITH THE OFFER. Bidders must be able to submit samples if requested.

Documents misdirected to other State or University locations or which are not present in the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office at the time of opening for whatever cause will be deemed to be late and will not be considered. For the purposes of this requirement, the official time and date shall be that of the time clock in the reception area of the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office. Postmarks shall not be considered proof of timely submission.

RIVIP SOLICITATIONS. To assure maximum access opportunities for users, public bid solicitations shall be posted on the RIVIP for a minimum of seven days and no amendments shall be made within the last five days before the date an offer is due. Except when access to the Web Site has been severely curtailed and it is determined by the Purchasing Agent that special circumstances preclude extending a solicitation due date, requests to mail or fax hard copies of solicitations will not be honored.

PRICING. Offers are irrevocable for sixty (60) days from the opening date (or such other extended period set forth in the solicitation), and may not be withdrawn, except with the express permission of the University Purchasing Agent. All pricing will be considered to be firm and fixed unless otherwise indicated. The University of Rhode Island is exempt from Federal excise taxes and State Sales and Use Taxes. Such taxes shall not be included in the bid price.

ALL PRICES QUOTED ARE FOB DESTINATION.

DELIVERY and PRODUCT QUALITY. All offers must define delivery dates for all items; if no delivery date is specified, it is assumed that immediate delivery from stock will be made. The contractor will be responsible for delivery of materials in first class condition. Rejected materials will be at the vendor's expense.

PREVAILING WAGE, OSHA SAFETY TRAINING and APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS. Bidders must comply with the provisions of the Rhode Island labor laws, including R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 37-13-1 et seq. and occupational safety laws, including R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 28-20-1 et seq. These laws mandate for public works construction projects the payment of prevailing wage rates, the implementation and maintenance of occupational safety standards, and for projects with a minimum value of \$1 Million, the employment of apprentices. The successful Bidder must submit certifications of compliance with these laws from each of its subcontractors prior to their commencement of any work. Prevailing wage rates, apprenticeship requirements, and other workforce and safety regulations are accessible at www.dlt.ri.gov.

PUBLIC RECORDS. Offerors are advised that all materials submitted to the University for consideration in response to this solicitation will be considered without exception to be Public Records pursuant to Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, and will be released for inspection immediately upon request once an award has been made. Offerors are encouraged to attend public bid/RFP openings to obtain information; however, bid/RFP response summaries may be reviewed after award(s) have been made by visiting the Rhode Island Vendor Information Program (RIVIP) at www.purchasing.ri.gov > Solicitation Opportunities > Other Solicitation Opportunities. Telephone requests for results will not be honored. Written requests for results will only be honored if the information is not available on the RIVIP.

Award will be made to the responsive and responsible offeror quoting the lowest net price in accordance with specifications, for any individual item(s), for major groupings of items, or for all items listed, at the University's sole option.

BID SURETY. Where bid surety is required, bidder must furnish a bid bond or certified check for 5% of the bid total with the bid, or for such other amount as may be specified. Bids submitted without a required bid surety will not be considered.

SPECIFICATIONS. Unless specified “no substitute”, product offerings equivalent in quality and performance will be considered (at the sole option of the University) on the condition that the offer is accompanied by detailed product specifications. Offers which fail to include alternate specifications may be deemed nonresponsive.

VENDOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED. When a purchase order, change order, contract/agreement or contract/agreement amendment is issued by the University of Rhode Island, no claim for payment for services rendered or goods delivered contrary to or in excess of the contract terms and scope shall be considered valid unless the vendor has obtained a written change order or contract amendment issued by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office PRIOR to delivery.

Any offer, whether in response to a solicitation for proposals or bids, or made without a solicitation, which is accepted in the form of an order OR pricing agreement made in writing by the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Office, shall be considered a binding contract.

REGULATIONS, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING STATE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND CONTRACTS. This solicitation and any contract or purchase order arising from it are issued in accordance with the specific requirements described herein, and the State’s [Purchasing Laws](#) and the [RI Division of Purchases Procurement Regulations and General Conditions of Purchase](#).

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. Compliance certificate and agreement procedures will apply to all awards for supplies or services valued at \$10,000 or more. Minority Business Enterprise policies and procedures, including subcontracting opportunities as described in Title 37 Chapter 14.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws also apply.

PERFORMANCE BONDS. Where indicated, successful bidder must furnish a 100% performance bond and labor and payment bond for contracts subject to Title 37 Chapters 12 and 13 of the Rhode Island General Laws. All bonds must be furnished by a surety company authorized to conduct business in the State of Rhode Island. Performance bonds must be submitted within 21 calendar days of the issuance of a tentative notice of award.

DEFAULT and NON-COMPLIANCE Default and/or non-compliance with the requirements and any other aspects of the award may result in withholding of payment(s), contract termination, debarment, suspension, or any other remedy necessary that is in the best interest of the state/University of Rhode Island.

COMPLIANCE Vendor must comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

SPRINKLER IMPAIRMENT AND HOT WORK. The Contractor agrees to comply with the practices of the State’s Insurance carrier for sprinkler impairment and hot work. Prior to performing any work, the Contractor shall obtain the necessary information for compliance from the Risk Management Office at the Department of Administration or the Risk Management Office at the University of Rhode Island.

Each bid proposal for a *public works project* must include a “public copy” to be available for public inspection upon the opening of bids. **Bid Proposals that do not include a copy for public inspection will be deemed nonresponsive.**

For further information on how to comply with this statutory requirement, see [R.I. Gen. Laws](#) §§ 37-2-18(b) and (j). Also see State of Rhode Island Procurement Regulation 5.11 at : <https://ridop.ri.gov/about-us/procurement-statutes-and-regulations>

SECTION 2 – DISCLOSURES

ALL CONTRACT AWARDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES & CERTIFICATIONS

Offerors must respond to every disclosure statement. A person authorized to enter into contracts must sign the offer and attest to the accuracy of all statements.

Indicate Yes (Y) or No (N):

____1 State whether your company, or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has been subject to suspension or debarment by any federal, state, or municipal government agency, or the subject of criminal prosecution, or convicted of a criminal offense with the previous five (5) years. If Yes, then provide details below.

____2 State whether your company, or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has had any contracts with a federal, state or municipal government agency terminated for any reason within the previous five (5) years. If Yes, then provide details below.

____3 State whether your company or any owner, stockholder, officer, director, member, partner, or principal thereof, or any subsidiary or affiliated company, has been fined more than \$5000 for violation(s) of Rhode Island environmental laws by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management within the previous five (5) years. If Yes, then provide details below.

____4 State whether any officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principal of the Bidder is serving or has served within the past two calendar years as either an appointed or elected official of any state governmental authority or quasi-public corporation, including without limitation, any entity created as a legislative body or public or state agency by the general assembly or constitution of this state. If Yes, then provide details below.

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED “YES” TO QUESTIONS #1 – 4 PROVIDE DETAILS/EXPLANATION IN AN ATTACHED STATEMENT. INCOMPLETE CERTIFICATION FORMS SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF OFFER.

SECTION 3 - OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

Vendors must provide all relevant information. Bid proposals submitted without a complete response may be deemed nonresponsive.

If the vendor is privately held, the vendor shall provide ownership information below.

List each officer, director, manager, stockholder, member, partner, or other owner or principle of the Bidder, and each intermediate parent company and the ultimate parent company of the Bidder. For each individual, provide his or her name, business address, principal occupation, position with the Vendor, and the percentage of ownership, if any, he or she holds in the Vendor, and each intermediate parent company and the ultimate parent company of the Vendor.

If the company is publicly held, the vendor may provide owner information about only those stockholders, members, partners, or other owners that hold at least 10% of the record or beneficial equity interests of the vendor; otherwise, complete ownership disclosure is required.

SECTION 4 - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must respond to every statement. Bid proposals submitted without a complete response may be deemed nonresponsive.

Indicate "Y" (Yes) or "N" (No), and if "No," provide details below.

THE VENDOR CERTIFIES THAT:

___1 I/we certify that I/we will immediately disclose, in writing, to the University Purchasing Agent any potential conflict of interest which may occur during the course of the engagement authorized pursuant to this contract.

___2 I/we acknowledge that, in accordance with (1) Chapter §37-2-54(c) of the Rhode Island General Laws "no purchase or contract shall be binding on the state or any agency thereof unless approved by the Department [of Administration] or made under general regulations which the Chief Purchasing Officer may prescribe," and (2) RIGL section §37-2-7(16) which identifies the URI Board of Trustees as a public agency and gives binding contractual authority to the University Purchasing Agent, including change orders and other types of contracts and under State Purchasing Regulation 8.2.B any alleged oral agreement or arrangements made by a bidder or contractor with any agency or an employee of the University of Rhode Island may be disregarded and shall not be binding on the University of Rhode Island.

___3 I/we certify that I or my/our firm possesses all licenses required by Federal and State laws and regulations as they pertain to the requirements of the solicitation and offer made herein and shall maintain such required license(s) during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our license lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___4 I/we certify that I/we will maintain required insurance during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our insurance lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.

___5 I/we certify that I/we understand that falsification of any information herein or failure to notify the University of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent as certified herein may be grounds for suspension, debarment and/or prosecution for fraud.

___6 I/we acknowledge that the provisions and procedures set forth in this form apply to any contract arising from this offer.

___7 I/we acknowledge that I/we understand the State's Purchasing Laws (§37-2 of the General Laws of Rhode Island) and the [RI Division of Purchases Regulations](#) apply as the governing conditions for any contract or purchase order I/we may receive from the University of Rhode Island, including the offer contained herein.

___8 I/we certify that the bidder: (i) is not identified on the General Treasurer's list, created pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 37-2.5-3, as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran described in § 37-2.5-2(b); and (ii) is not engaging in any such investment activities in Iran.

___9 If the product is subject to Department of Commerce Export Administration Regulations (EAR) or International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), please provide the Export Control Classification Number (ECCN) or the US Munitions List (USML) Category: _____

___10 I/we certify that the above information is correct and complete.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO CERTIFY YES TO QUESTIONS #1 – 8 and 10 OF THE FOREGOING, PROVIDE DETAILS/EXPLANATION IN AN ATTACHED STATEMENT. INCOMPLETE CERTIFICATION FORMS SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF OFFER.

Signature below commits vendor to the attached offer and certifies (1) that the offer has taken into account all solicitation amendments where applicable, (2) that the above statements and information are accurate and that vendor understands and has complied with the requirements set forth herein.

Vendor/Company Name; _____

Vendor's Signature: _____ Bid Number: _____ Date: _____
(Person Authorized to enter into contracts; signature must be in ink) (if applicable)

Print Name and Title of Company official signing offer

COMMODITY: LIVING ORGANISM KITS FOR
 K-5 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
 OPENING DATE & TIME: 12/20/24 @ 11:00 AM
 BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 1/15/25 - 6/30/26

SHIP TO: 43 schools in RI
 (School addresses attached)
 GEMS-Net partner Schools

BIDDER (NAME OF FIRM)

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BID NO: 101439

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INSTRUCTIONS:

IF BIDDING ON ANY ITEM, THE ENTIRE BID MUST BE RETURNED. THE PRICE COLUMN ON THE RIGHT WILL BE DETACHED TO CREATE A BID TABULATION SPREAD SHEET FOR THE "OFFICIAL BID ANALYSIS", THEREFORE:

- A. VENDOR NAME MUST APPEAR IN BOTH COLUMNS ON "EVERY" PAGE UNDER THE WORDS "BIDDER"
- B. PRICE COLUMNS MUST CONTAIN "EXACTLY" THE SAME INFORMATION.
- C. ANY SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION MUST BE REPEATED IN "BOTH" COLUMNS.
- D. TO ASSURE THAT OFFERS ARE CONSIDERED ON TIME, EACH OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH SPECIFIC BID/RFP NUMBER (PROVIDED ABOVE), DATE AND TIME OF OPENING MARKED IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER OF ENVELOPE. EACH BID/OFFER MUST BE SUBMITTED IN SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPES:

MAIL TO:	COURIER:
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND P.O. BOX 1773 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT KINGSTON, RI 02881	UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT 210 FLAGG ROAD KINGSTON, RI 02881-2010

DOCUMENTS MISDIRECTED TO OTHER STATE LOCATIONS OR WHICH ARE NOT PRESENT IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF OPENING FOR WHATEVER CAUSE WILL BE DEEMED TO BE LATE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS REQUIREMENT, THE OFFICIAL TIME AND DATE SHALL BE THAT OF THE TIME CLOCK IN THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND PURCHASING DEPARTMENT. POSTMARKS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED PROOF OF TIMELY SUBMISSION.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE FORM AS INSTRUCTED MAY BE GROUNDS FOR "DISQUALIFICATION".

GROUP PURCHASING ORGANIZATIONS (GPO):

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND IS A MEMBER OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) Educational & Institutional Cooperative Purchasing (E&I)
- 2) Provista

DO NOT ATTACH QUOTES. QUOTATIONS SUBMITTED WITH BID RESPONSES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED ALL BID RESPONSES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED BID SPECIFICATIONS AND THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS:

- <http://www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf>

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The GEMS-Net program , managed by the URI Feinstein College of Education, includes providing living organisms for life science courses taught in grades K-5 in GEMS-Net partner schools in RI . This will be for courses taught during the Spring of 2025 and 2026 . The department is looking for bid pricing (delivered pricing shipping directly to any partner school in RI)

***THE FOLLOWING LIVING ORGANISMS WILL BE ORDERED AND COORDINATED THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND'S COLLEGE OF EDUCATION.**

***WHILE ORDERS WILL BE COORDINATED, PLACED AND PAID THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY, DELIVERY OF THE ORDERS WILL BE TO THE 43 SCHOOLS ON THE ATTACHED LIST.**

***ESTIMATED DELIVERY DATES ARE PROVIDED TO LET THE VENDOR KNOW WHEN THE ITEMS AND THE LISTED QUANTITIES WILL BE NEEDED.**

Year 2 items are estimated quantities. The firm quantities will be provided 3 months prior to shipping dates.

Year 2 shipping dates are approximate. The confirmed shipping dates will be provided 3 months prior to shipping.

BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 01/15/25 - 6/30/26

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025	Ship Dates	QUANTITY	UOM	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE	ITEM NO.
	<u>GRADE K: ANIMALS TWO BY TWO</u>								
	Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata)(4 female & 2 male/set) - include item 1								
	Goldfish (Carrasius Auratus) (4 per set) - include item 1								
1	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch) - include in item 1	3/10/2025	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	1
	Pond Snails (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (12/set) - include item 2								
2	Ramshorn Snails (planorbis sp.) (12/set) - include item 2	4/21/2025	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	2
3	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	5/5/2025	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	3
4	Earthworms (Lumbricus terrestris species) (12/set)	5/5/2025	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	4
	Terrestrial Isopods (Pill bugs) (Armadillidium vulgare) (25/set) - Include item 5								
5	Terrestrial Isopods (Sow bugs) (Oniscus ascellus) (25/set) - include item 5	5/19/2025	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	5
	<u>GRADE 2: INSECTS AND PLANTS</u>								
6	Mealworms (200/set)	3/10/2025	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	6
7	Milkweed Bug Eggs (75/set)	4/21/2025	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	7
8	Painted Lady Butterfly Larvae medium (Vanessa cardui) (5/set)	4/28/2025	97	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	8
	<u>GRADE 3: STRUCTURES OF LIFE</u>								
9	Large Owl Pellets (15/set)	4/28/2025	101	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	9
	Crayfish - size small crayfish (no larger than 2") (12/set) - include item 10								
10	2 Elodea Bunches (approx. 10-12 sprigs per bunch) - include item 10	4/28/2025	96	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	10

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GRADE 4: ENVIRONMENTS									
11	Isopods (Sow bugs) Oniscus ascellus, Porcellio sp. (75/set) - include item 11	3/10/2025	88	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	11
12	Isopods (Pill bugs) Armadillidium vulgare check (75/set) - include item 12	1/20/2025	5	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	12
13	Isopods (Sow bugs) Oniscus ascellus, Porcellio sp. (75/set) - include item 12	3/10/2025	88	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	13
14	Mealworms (150/set)	1/20/2025	5	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	14
15	Mealworms (150/set)	4/28/2025	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	15
16	Pond Snails, small (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (10-12/set)	3/10/2025	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	16
17	Pond Snails, small (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (10-12/set)	4/28/2025	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	17
18	Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata) (10/set) - include item 17	3/10/2025	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	18
19	Goldfish (Carrasius auratus) (4/set) - include item 17	4/28/2025	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	19
20	Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata) (10/set) - include item 18	3/10/2025	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	20
21	Goldfish (Carrasius auratus) (4/set) - include item 18	4/28/2025	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	21
22	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch)	3/10/2025	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	22
23	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch)	4/28/2025	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	23
24	1 jar Gammarus or equivalent (approx. 25-30)	3/10/2025	3	Jars	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	24
25	1 jar Gammarus or equivalent (approx. 25-30)	4/28/2025	79	Jars	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	25
GRADE 5: LIVING SYSTEMS									
23	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	3/24/2025	61	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	23
24	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	2/24/2025	4	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	24
25	Painted Lady Butterfly Larvae medium (Vanessa cardui) 5/set)	4/21/2025	67	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	25
FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026									
2025/2026 item quantities and shipping dates are approximate. The firm quantities and dates will be provided 3 months prior to shipping dates.									
GRADE K: ANIMALS TWO BY TWO									
26	Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata)(4 female & 2 male/set) - include item 26	3/9/2026	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	26
27	Goldfish (Carrasius Auratus) (4 per set) - include item 26	4/20/2026	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	27
28	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch) - include item 26	5/4/2026	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	28
29	Pond Snails (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (12/set) - include item 27	5/4/2026	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	29
30	Ramshorn Snails (planorbis sp.) (12/set) - include item 27	5/18/2026	91	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	30
31	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	3/9/2026	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	31
32	Earthworms (Lumbricus terrestris species) (12/set)	4/20/2026	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	32
33	Terrestrial Isopods (Pill bugs) (Armadillidium vulgare) (25/set) - include Item 30	4/27/2026	97	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	33
34	Terrestrial Isopods (Sow bugs) (Oniscus ascellus) (25/set) - Include Item 30	4/27/2026	101	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	34
GRADE 2: INSECTS AND PLANTS									
31	Mealworms (200/set)	3/9/2026	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	31
32	Milkweed Bug Eggs (75/set)	4/20/2026	98	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	32
33	Painted Lady Butterfly Larvae medium (Vanessa cardui) (5/set)	4/27/2026	97	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	33
GRADE 3: STRUCTURES OF LIFE									
34	Large Owl Pellets (15/set)	4/27/2026	101	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	34
Crayfish - size small crayfish (no larger than 2") (12/set) - include item 35									

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35	2 Elodea Bunches (approx. 10-12 sprigs per bunch) -include item 35	4/27/2026	96	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	35
GRADE 4: ENVIRONMENTS								
Isopods (Pill bugs) Armadillidium vulgare check (75/set) - include item 36								
36	Isopods (Sow bugs) Oniscus ascellus, Porcellio sp. (75/set) - include item 36	3/9/2026	88	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	36
Isopods (Pill bugs) Armadillidium vulgare check (75/set) - include item 37								
37	Isopods (Sow bugs) Oniscus ascellus, Porcellio sp. (75/set) - include item 37	1/19/2026	5	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	37
38	Mealworms (150/set)	3/9/2026	88	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	38
39	Mealworms (150/set)	1/19/2026	5	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	39
40	Pond Snails, small (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (10-12/set)	4/27/2026	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	40
41	Pond Snails, small (Nerites sp., Physa, sp.) (10-12/set)	3/9/2026	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	41
Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata) (10/set) - include item 42								
42	Goldfish (Carrasius auratus) (4/set) - include item 42	4/27/2026	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	42
Common Guppies (Poecilia reticulata) (10/set) - include item 43								
43	Goldfish (Carrasius auratus) (4/set) - -include item 43	3/9/2026	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	43
44	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch)	4/27/2026	79	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	44
45	Elodea Bunch (approx. 4-6 sprigs per Bunch)	3/9/2026	3	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	45
46	1 jar Gammarus or equivalent (approx. 25-30)	4/27/2026	79	Jars	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	46
47	1 jar Gammarus or equivalent (approx. 25-30)	3/9/2026	3	Jars	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	47
GRADE 5: LIVING SYSTEMS								
48	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	3/23/2026	61	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	48
49	Redworms (Eisenia fetida species) (150/set)	2/23/0206	4	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	49
50	Painted Lady Butterfly Larvae medium (Vanessa cardui) 5/set)	4/20/2026	67	sets	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	50

BLANKET BID

(A) A SINGLE PRICE SHALL BE QUOTED FOR EACH ITEM AGAINST WHICH A PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED. THIS PRICE WILL BE THE MAXIMUM IN EFFECT DURING THE AGREEMENT PERIOD. ANY PRICE DECLINE AT THE MANUFACTURER'S LEVEL SHALL BE REFLECTED IN A REDUCTION OF THE AGREEMENT PRICE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND. (B) QUANTITIES, IF ANY, ARE ESTIMATED ONLY. THE AGREEMENT SHALL COVER THE ACTUAL QUANTITIES ORDERING DURING THE PERIOD. DELIVERIES WILL BE BILLED AT THE SINGLE, FIRM, AWARDED UNIT PRICE QUOTED REGARDLESS OF THE QUANTITIES ORDERED. (C) BID PRICE IS NET F.O.B. DESTINATION AND SHALL INCLUDE INSIDE DELIVERY AT NO EXTRA COST. (D) BIDS FOR SINGLE ITEMS AND/OR A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL ITEMS LISTED, MAY, AT THE STATE'S SOLE OPTION, BE REJECTED AS BEING NON-RESPONSIVE TO THE INTENT OF THIS REQUEST. ORDERING (A) THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND WILL SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL ORDERS FOR THE VARIOUS ITEMS AND VARIOUS QUANTITIES AS MAY BE REQUIRED DURING THE AGREEMENT PERIOD. (B) EXCEPTION - REGARDLESS OF ANY AGREEMENT RESULTING FROM THIS BID, THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SOLICIT PRICES SEPARATELY FOR ANY EXTRA LARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DELIVERY TO SPECIFIC DESTINATIONS.

COMMODITY: LIVING ORGANISM KITS FOR K-5 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
OPENING DATE & TIME: 12/20/24 @ 11:00 AM
BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 1/15/25 - 6/30/26

SHIP TO: 43 schools in RI
(School addresses attached)
GEMS-Net partner Schools

BIDDER (NAME OF FIRM) | BIDDER (NAME OF FIRM)

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MULTI YEAR

THIS IS A MULTI-YEAR BID/CONTRACT. CONTINUATION OF THE CONTRACT BEYOND THE INITIAL FISCAL YEAR WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND. TERMINATION MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE UNIVERSITY BASED UPON DETERMINING FACTORS SUCH AS UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE OR THE DETERMINATION BY THE UNIVERSITY TO DISCONTINUE THE GOODS/SERVICES, OR TO REVISE THE SCOPE AND NEED FOR THE TYPE OF GOODS/SERVICES AND SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

NO READING

DUE TO THE LENGTH OF BID AND TIME RESTRAINTS, THE UNIVERSITY WILL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT AND READ NAMES OF VENDORS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS ONLY. NO EXAMINATION OF DOCUMENTS OR PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSALS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT THE BID OPENING.

SPECIFICATIONS

ALL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY'S REQUIREMENT AND EACH VENDOR'S BID MUST BE CLEARLY NOTED, ITEM BY ITEM. IF NO DIFFERENCES ARE NOTED, BID WILL BE CONSIDERED EXACT. IF THE ITEM BEING BID IS OTHER THAN BRAND/MODEL SPECIFIED, BIDDERS MUST INCLUDE LITERATURE FOR THE ITEMS THEY ARE BIDDING. ITEMS IN CATALOGS MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED AND PAGES TABBED.

AWARD

BIDDERS MUST BID ALL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED. AWARD WILL BE BASED ON TOTAL LOW.

DELIVERY & SHIPPING

Delivery & Shipping Charges Must Be Included In The Unit Price

Other Requirements:

- 1) The requested quantities reflect a good faith estimate. Please provide a unit price that accounts for a plus or minus 5% change in the overall quantity
- 2) If organisms are not alive/viable for 48 hours after delivery, the provider will replace said materials within 7 business days of notification at no charge by vendor
- 3) Materials will be shipped to 43 individual school locations in Rhode Island on specific dates.
- 4) The ship dates, item(s), item quantities, teacher names, and school addresses will be provided at the time of the order. Orders must be packaged by teacher as specified on the order sheet. Teacher orders with the same grade and same school, and on the same date, may be combined in one shipment, as appropriate. The packages within the shipment must be labeled with the teacher name.
- 5) Include all specified items (species and size is indicated).
- 6) Price must include delivery/shipping costs.
- 7) Orders will be delivered to school offices during the hours when staff is available to accept deliveries.
- 8) There will be a maximum 2-day delivery window.
- 9) Shipment delays must be communicated to GEMS-Net (gemsnet@etal.uri.edu) as soon as the vendor is aware of the delay.
- 10) All post award communications will be directed to GEMS-Net (gemsnet@etal.uri.edu).

District	School	Address	City	State	Zip Code
Burrillville School Department	Austin T. Levy School	135 Harrisville Main Street	Harrisville	RI	02830
Burrillville School Department	Steere Farm Elementary School	915 Steere Farm Road	Pascoag	RI	02859
Burrillville School Department	William L. Callahan School	75 Callahan School Street	Harrisville	RI	02830
Chariho Regional School District	Ashaway Elementary School	12A Hillside Avenue	Ashaway	RI	02804
Chariho Regional School District	Chariho Regional Middle School	455B Switch Road	Wood River Junction	RI	02894
Chariho Regional School District	Charlestown Elementary School	363 Carolina Back Road	Charlestown	RI	02813
Chariho Regional School District	Hope Valley Elementary School	15 Thelma Drive	Hope Valley	RI	02832
Chariho Regional School District	Richmond Elementary School	190 Kingstown Road	Wyoming	RI	02898
Cumberland School Department	Ashton Elementary School	130 Scott Road	Cumberland	RI	02864
Cumberland School Department	BF Norton Elementary School	364 Broad Street	Cumberland	RI	02864
Cumberland School Department *	Community Elementary School	2602 Mendon Road	Cumberland	RI	02864
Cumberland School Department	Garvin Elementary School	1364 Diamond Hill Road	Cumberland	RI	02864
Cumberland School Department	J.J. McLaughlin Cumberland Hill Elementary School	205 Manville Hill Road	Cumberland	RI	02864
Exeter-West Greenwich Regional School District	Metcalf Elementary School	30 Nooseneck Hill Road	Exeter	RI	02822
Exeter-West Greenwich Regional School District	Wawaloam Elementary School	100 Victory Highway	Exeter	RI	02822
Foster School District	Captain Isaac Paine Elementary	160 Foster Center Road	Foster	RI	02825
Jamestown School Department	Lawn Avenue School	55 Lawn Avenue	Jamestown	RI	02835
Jamestown School Department	Melrose Avenue Elementary	76 Melrose Avenue	Jamestown	RI	02835
Narragansett School System	Narragansett Elementary School	55 Mumford Road	Narragansett	RI	02882
Narragansett School System	Narragansett Pier Middle School	235 South Pier Road	Narragansett	RI	02882
North Kingstown School Department	Fishing Cove Elementary School	110 Wickford Point Road	North Kingstown	RI	02852
North Kingstown School Department	Forest Park Elementary School	50 Woodlawn Drive	North Kingstown	RI	02852
North Kingstown School Department	Hamilton Elementary School	25 Salisbury Avenue	North Kingstown	RI	02852
North Kingstown School Department	Quidnessett Elementary School	166 Mark Drive	North Kingstown	RI	02852
North Kingstown School Department	Stony Lane Elementary School	825 Stony Lane	North Kingstown	RI	02852
Paul Cuffee Charter School	Paul Cuffee Lower School	459 Promenade Street	Providence	RI	02908
Warwick Public Schools	Cedar Hill Elementary School	35 Red Chimney Drive	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools	Greenwood Elementary School	93 Sharon Street	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools *	Holliman Elementary School	69 Draper Ave.	Warwick	RI	02888

Warwick Public Schools	Hoxsie Elementary School	55 Glenwood Drive	Warwick	RI	02889
Warwick Public Schools	Lippitt Elementary School	30 Almy Street	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools	Norwood Elementary School	266 Norwood Avenue	Warwick	RI	02888
Warwick Public Schools	Oakland Beach Elementary School	383 Oakland Beach Avenue	Warwick	RI	02889
Warwick Public Schools	Park Elementary School	40 Asylum Road	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools	Robertson Elementary School	70 Nausauket Road	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools	Scott Elementary School	833 Centerville Road	Warwick	RI	02886
Warwick Public Schools	Sherman Elementary School	120 Killey Avenue	Warwick	RI	02889
Warwick Public Schools	Warwick Neck Elementary School	150 Lennox Avenue	Warwick	RI	02889
Warwick Public Schools	Wyman Elementary School	1 Columbia Avenue	Warwick	RI	02888
Westerly Public Schools	Dunn's Corners Elementary School	8 1/2 Plateau Road	Westerly	RI	02891
Westerly Public Schools	Springbrook Elementary School	39 Springbrook Road	Westerly	RI	02891
Westerly Public Schools	State Street Elementary School	35 State Street	Westerly	RI	02891
Westerly Public Schools	Westerly Middle School	10 Sandy Hill Road	Westerly	RI	02891

*Temporary address 2024/2025 School Year