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## **Request for Proposal (RFP) for Speech Pathologist**

Issued by: North Shore Community School

Date Issued: 3/14/2025

### **1. Introduction**

North Shore Community School (NSCS) is a rural charter school nestled in the woods near the north shore of Lake Superior, approximately halfway between Duluth and Two Harbors. We are requesting proposals for a qualified Speech Pathologist to provide speech therapy for students receiving services through IEPs.

### **2. About Us**

NSCS serves approximately 350 kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students with a special education population of 15%. NSCS's mission is to excel in connecting our students' academics and learning with their natural and social environments in a nurturing community setting. This mission is driven by four core values: ***Kids First:*** Students' diversity and needs drive decisions and actions. ***Partnership:*** Together we achieve more than alone. ***Knowledge:*** Skilled in accessing, navigating, and using a broad array of facts and viewpoints from a global perspective. ***Stewardship:*** Care and responsibility for our natural and social environments

### **3. Scope of Services**

The selected provider will deliver the following services:

- **Speech Language Services:** Services may include, but are not necessarily limited to, review of pertinent educational records of selected students; discussion and consultation with teaching staff, school administration, and related service providers; providing consultation and recommendations on appropriate goals and objectives; and working directly with students on educationally related issues; conduct evaluations as identified by the IEP team and documented in the student's IEP; develop IEPs based on the results of the evaluation and as determined by the IEP Team.

### **4. Proposal Requirements**

Respondents should include the following in their proposals:

- **Company Profile:** An overview of history, mission, and experience with Minnesota charter schools.
- **Approach and Methodology:** Description of how services will be delivered outlined in the scope.
- **Pricing:** Detailed fee structure. Any additional costs must comply with MDE Special Education Funding requirements
- **Contract Terms:** Proposed terms and conditions for a service agreement for one year.

### **5. Evaluation Criteria**

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following:

- Alignment with our school's needs and goals.
- Provide services onsite.
- Experience working with Minnesota charter schools.
- Cost-effectiveness and transparency of pricing.
- Demonstrated ability to meet compliance and reporting deadlines.

## 6. Timeline

- RFP Issued: 3/14/2025
- Deadline for Questions: 4/11/2025
- Proposal Submission Deadline: 4/17/2025
- Selection Notification: 4/30/2025

## 7. Submission Instructions

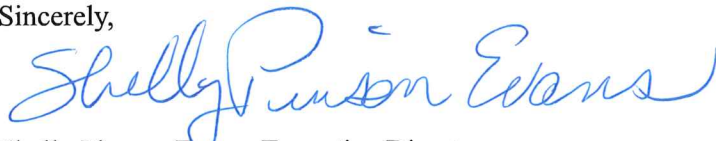
Submit proposals electronically to:  
Shelly Pierson Evans, Executive Director  
[spierson@nscsk6.org](mailto:spierson@nscsk6.org)  
5926 Ryan Rd., Duluth, MN 55084  
218-525-0663 ext. 118

## 8. Contact for Questions

For questions about this RFP, contact:  
Nicole Carpenter, Business Manager  
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218-525-0663 ext. 117

We look forward to reviewing your proposal.

Sincerely,



Shelly Pierson Evans, Executive Director