

## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Today the Vancouver School Board (VSB) issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Kitsilano Secondary School Renewal (the Project). The Project will be delivered using a Design-Build (DB) partnership model and will maximize private sector innovation and expertise.

The approximately 18,000 square metres school replacement project will be a neighbourhood learning centre that will provide specialty classrooms and fitness, arts and library facilities. Key features of the three story replacement school include the construction of a new academic wing; an all-weather playing field; three gymnasiums; a 350-seat theatre; green space for student learning; and space designed for individualized support and collaborative group work. A key element of the project is the preservation of the main historical facade that dates back to 1927. 1,500 students in grades 8-12 will benefit from the new 21st century learning environment that will be designed to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold certification.

The RFQ is a competitive process that invites teams to indicate their interest and qualifications to design and build the Project. VSB expects to shortlist up to three Design-Build teams, which will then be invited to respond to a Request for Proposals (RFP). VSB will choose the successful winning team by spring 2013, with design-build activities commencing immediately thereafter. The replacement school will be completed in time for the September 2017 school year.

VSB has engaged Partnerships British Columbia Inc. (Partnerships BC) to manage the competitive selection process for the Project.

The total cost of the Project is estimated to be in the range of \$55-60 million.

A copy of the RFQ is available online at BC Bid [www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca](http://www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca), document number 4804.

The deadline for submitting a response is July 4, 2012, at 14:00 PST.