

Cost Assumptions, Conditions, and Constraints

Requirement

The respondent should list and describe as part of its Cost Proposal any special cost assumptions, conditions, and/or constraints relative to, or which impact, the prices presented on the Cost Schedules. It is of particular importance to describe any assumptions made by the respondent in the development of the respondent's Technical Proposal that have a material impact on price. It is in the best interest of the respondent to make explicit the assumptions, conditions, and/or constraints that underlie the values presented on the Cost Schedules. Assumptions, conditions or constraints that conflict with the RFP requirements are not acceptable. **Please compose and return this document in a PDF format, labeled as “Cost Assumptions, Conditions and Constraints”**

Response

Pearson cost submissions are all inclusive, with all overhead costs included. The costs that we are submitting accurately reflect the scope of work and our proposal. Pearson will work with IDOE to provide fair and accurate price adjustments if scope should increase or decrease.

The cost assumptions, conditions, and/or constraints for our cost proposal are as follows:

Product License Cost Assumptions

- The annual low-cost ABBI item bank services user fee addresses user based variable fees for hosting and supporting up to 20 users (yearly).

Maintenance Cost Assumptions

- Pricing is all-inclusive, including ancillary and overhead costs such as hosting, maintenance, upgrades and support.
- Pricing is based on initial QTI compliant configuration to IDOE metadata and workflow specifications.
- Item bank will include the ILEARN, I AM, ISTEP+ and IREAD-3 assessment items.
- **Year 1:**
 - Item Authoring and Banking System requirements gathering
 - Setup, configuration, and verification of Pearson item authoring and banking system, ABBI.
 - Create accounts and assign roles and permissions for IDOE staff and educators
 - Import up to 5,900 items and 800 stimuli from IDOE
 - Perform a content verification check/item compare for all processed items and stimuli to ensure everything imported and is scoring correctly in ABBI
 - Import and verify content metadata and stats
 - Export content, metadata, and stats to an outside IDOE test vendor
- **Year 2 and Year 3:**
 - Maintenance and/or creation of user accounts, roles and permissions for IDOE staff and educators
 - IDOE will develop up to 300 new items in ABBI per year

- Export content, metadata, and stats to an outside IDOE test vendor annually

Support Cost Assumptions

- Provide an overview and demonstration of ABBI
- Provide training and ongoing support to IDOE staff regarding the utilization and access of ABBI's authoring and item banking features
- Design a comprehensive needs analysis and training plan (year 1)
- Train IDOE staff in primary ABBI operations
- Provide existing ABBI support materials to IDOE
- Provide project management oversight related to Pearson scope of this project
 - Facilitate virtual program kick-off meeting
 - Create and manage project schedule
 - Document project requirements
 - Host virtual status meetings as Pearson scope requires, and create and provide meeting agendas/minutes
- All meetings will be virtual and therefore no travel is included (due to COVID-19)