INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

Sealed Bids will be received from Prequalified General Contractors by THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE COLLEGE OF FLORIDA, MANATEE-SARASOTA (SCF) hereafter to be identified as “Owner” at the Facilities Management Department, Building 23, 5840 26th W. Bradenton, Florida 34207 prior to **10:00 a.m. on November 20, 2012** at which time Bids shall be publicly opened for performing all Work necessary for the Construction of:

**Project Name:** Venice Campus Building 200 - Chemistry Lab Renovation  
**Project Number:** 3-11-2-31  
**Project Description:** State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, Venice Campus, intends to renovate a 1,400 square foot science chemistry lab. The project includes; new flooring, ceiling tiles, lighting covers, painting, lighting controls, emergency shower & eye wash station, plumbing, electrical, and mechanical work. The project also includes the replacement of all student lab tables, perimeter storage cabinets and counter tops, installation of one fume hood and a multi-media system by other vendors.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a Certified Check, Cashier’s Check, Treasurer’s Check, or Bank Draft of any national or state bank in an amount no less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the Base Bid. The successful Bidder shall provide a Performance Bond and Payment Bond of 100% of the Contract amount. Bidder as “Prime Contractor” must be licensed to perform the work described herein and hereafter be identified as “Contractor”.

Specifications and Bid Documents may be obtained electronically through the SCF Facilities Web Page at [http://www.scf.edu/Administration/Facilities/OpenBids.asp](http://www.scf.edu/Administration/Facilities/OpenBids.asp)

All correspondence involving this solicitation shall be through the Office of the SCF Construction Project Manager, **Contact: Dana Bulger, Facilities Administrative Specialist @ bulgerd@scf.edu**

Any Bid may be withdrawn until the date and time set for opening of the Bid. Any Bid not so withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer to sell to SCF the goods or services set forth in the attached specifications. No Bids may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of Bids for a period of **One Hundred Twenty (120) days**.

Bids shall be SEALED and plainly marked BID, with name of PROJECT, TIME, and DATE DUE. SCF reserves the right to reject any and all Bids received and to waive any and all minor technicalities in regard thereto.

**A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE/WALKTHROUGH:** November 6, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at The State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, 8000 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice, FL 34240, Building 900, Facilities Conference Room.

All Bidding contractors shall attend a mandatory pre-bid conference. In the event a potential Contractor is unable to attend the mandatory pre-bid conference/walkthrough, an authorized representative may attend on their behalf. The representative may only sign-in for one (1) company. Subcontractors may not represent a potential Contractor at a mandatory pre-bid conference/walkthrough. Bid Proposals from Contractors or their authorized representative not in attendance of the mandatory pre-bid conference will be considered non-responsive.

Bid tabulations with recommended award(s) shall be posted for review by interested parties on the SCF web Site and remain posted for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed by section 120.57 (3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time frame allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.