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Department of War Education Activity (DoWEA) - Sasebo Bus Drivers (Student Transportation Services)

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Solicitation `HE1254-27-R-SASEBODRIVERS`

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RFP DETECTOR SCORE

Fair · 60 / 100

High data confidence

Fair (C, 60/100): clear, complete notice, full and open.

+5.0 Clarity & completeness | +2.4 Competition & access | +1.7 Issuer & market

Informational, not advice. How the score works: rfpdetector.com/methodology/score

At a glance

ESTIMATED VALUE **~$453K** Estimated: median award, FY24–FY26	SET-ASIDE **None** Full and open competition	NAICS **485410** School and Employee Bus Transportation	PSC **V222** Product / service code
PLACE OF PERFORMANCE **Sasebo, JP**	POSTED **Nov 12, 2026** Updated Nov 17, 2026	RESPONSE DUE **Dec 3, 2026, 11:00 AM GMT+9** 6 days left	LISTING **Official federal notice** Updated Nov 17, 2026

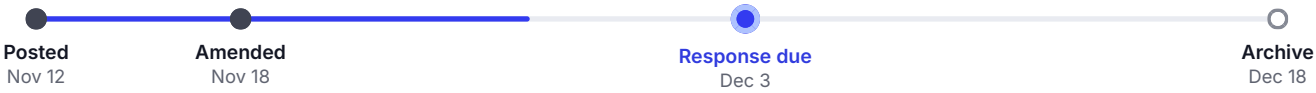
Our summary

Department of Defense Education Activity (Dodea) (DOD Education Activity), part of the Department of Defense, posted a sources sought notice titled “Department of War Education Activity (DoWEA) - Sasebo Bus Drivers (Student Transportation Services)” under solicitation number HE1254-27-R-SASEBODRIVERS. It was first posted on Nov 12, 2026 and has been updated 3 times since. Responses are due Dec 3, 2026, 11:00 AM GMT+9. It is classified under NAICS 485410 (School and Employee Bus Transportation) and product/service code V222. No set-aside is listed. The place of performance is Sasebo, Japan. The listed point of contact is Joel Brown.

Summary by RFP Detector.

Timeline

Blue line: today (Nov 26)



02 Score breakdown

Every RFP starts at 50. Each factor adds or subtracts points depending on how this RFP compares with a typical one, scaled by its weight and by how sure we are of the data. Unknown data has no effect.

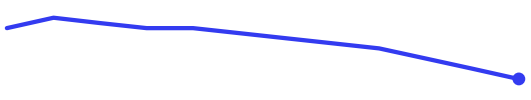
Factor		◀ lowers the score · raises the score ▶	Points	Range
Value	ESTIMATED		−0.5	−18.0 / +18.0 w 20 · conf 80%
No value published. Typical award is about $453K: the median of 322 DODEA contracts over $25K awarded in NAICS 485410, FY24–FY26.				
Competition & access	MEASURED		+2.4	−18.0 / +18.0 w 20 · conf 100%
Full and open competition. The largest recipient took 13% of these dollars in FY24–FY26, and spending is spread across many vendors.				
Issuer & market	MEASURED		+1.7	−23.4 / +12.6 w 20 · conf 100%
DODEA obligated $258M on NAICS 485410 across 440 contracts in FY24–FY26. 15 other notices from this office in the past 12 months.				
Time & stage	MEASURED		+0.8	−14.9 / +12.2 w 15 · conf 100%
Sources sought (market research, not a bid): 7 days to respond (due Dec 3, 2026, 11:00 AM GMT+9). Tight.				
Clarity & completeness	ESTIMATED		+5.0	−18.9 / +8.1 w 15 · conf 75%
Documents not listed, 2 named contacts with email, 832-word description.				
Freshness	MEASURED		+0.9	−9.0 / +9.0 w 10 · conf 100%
Updated 8 days ago (scope change).				

Starts at 50 · contributions sum to **60.3**

Score **60** (C)

Score trend

Recorded whenever the score changes, last 30 days



Nov 13: 70 Nov 26: 60

Evaluated Nov 26, 2026, 3:23 AM EST · version 1.0.0

How the score works

Value	weight 20 · −18.0 to +18.0
Competition & access	weight 20 · −18.0 to +18.0
Issuer & market	weight 20 · −23.4 to +12.6
Time & stage	weight 15 · −14.9 to +12.2
Clarity & completeness	weight 15 · −18.9 to +8.1
Freshness	weight 10 · −9.0 to +9.0

Measured data counts fully, estimated data counts less, unknown data counts zero. Grades: A 80–100 · B 65–79 · C 50–64 · D 35–49 · F 0–34. Data confidence (92/100) is how much of the score rests on measured data.

Full methodology: rfpdetector.com/methodology/score

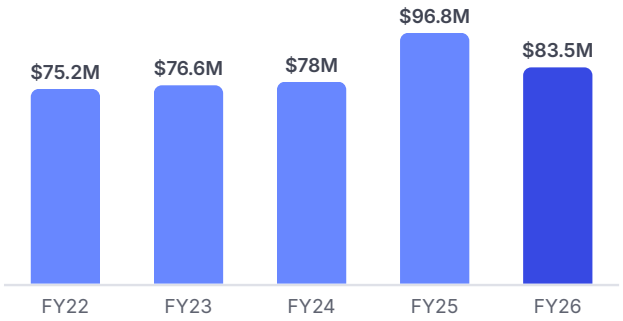
03 Market intelligence

Federal contract awards for Department of Defense Education Activity, NAICS 485410. Award counts and sizes cover new awards in FY24–FY26; dollars are obligations in the same window.

CONTRACTS AWARDED	TOTAL OBLIGATED	MEDIAN AWARD OVER $25K
440	**$258M**	**$453K**
New awards, FY24–FY26	Obligated FY24–FY26	322 awards above $25K

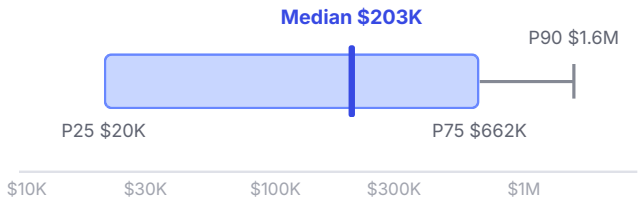
Obligations by fiscal year

Department of Defense Education Activity, NAICS 485410



Award size

DODEA NAICS 485410 contracts, FY24–FY26 (log scale)



For reference, the typical federal contract award above $25K across all agencies is about $69K.

Largest recipients in this market

Share of obligated dollars, FY24–FY26

1	Audax-Reisen-Gesellschaft Mit Beschränkter Haftung	$34.8M	13%
2	Taylor Motors, Inc.	$29.5M	11%
3	Audax-Reisen-Gesellschaft Mit Beschrankter Haftung	$22.7M	9%
4	Reinhold Beisel	$14.6M	6%
5	Willax Gmbh	$13.3M	5%

These are the largest recipients across this agency and NAICS code, not the incumbent of this RFP. Concentration feeds the Competition & access factor.

How this market feeds the score

Value	Competition & access	Issuer & market
−0.5	+2.4	+1.7
Small typical award (~$453K)	Full and open	Active buyer ($258M FY24–FY26)

Federal award history: contract award types A–D, FY24–FY26, updated Nov 15, 2026.

04 Requirements & logistics

Facts from the notice. Confirm every requirement and date on the official notice before responding.

Eligibility

SET-ASIDE
Full and open competition: any responsible business may respond.

NAICS
485410 School and Employee Bus Transportation

PRODUCT / SERVICE CODE
V222

Place & submission

PLACE OF PERFORMANCE
Sasebo, JP

HOW TO SUBMIT
As instructed in the official solicitation

OFFICIAL SOLICITATION
Open the official solicitation at rfpdetector.com (free account)

Contacts

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Documents

No documents are listed on the notice.
Open the official solicitation at rfpdetector.com (free account)

Before you respond

Confirm on the official notice

- [ ] Read every attachment and amendment on the official solicitation
- [ ] Confirm the response deadline and time zone
  Dec 3, 2026, 11:00 AM GMT+9
- [ ] Check you meet the set-aside / eligibility requirement
  Full and open competition
- [ ] Make sure your federal entity registration (UEI) is active
  Federal awards require an active entity registration
- [ ] Confirm how to submit
  See the official solicitation

Bid / no-bid questions

For your own decision

- [ ] Do you have relevant past performance for this scope and customer?
- [ ] Can you staff and deliver on time with a compliant response?
- [ ] Can you perform in Sasebo, JP?
- [ ] Does your pricing fit the typical award range ($20K–$662K)?
- [ ] Do you need a teaming partner or subcontractors to cover the full scope?

A generic checklist, not advice to bid or not bid.

05 Related RFPs

Open RFPs with the same NAICS industry group or category (same state first, then by score), and more from this issuer. Each title links to its page on RFP Detector.

Similar open RFPs

- A | 90 **US Air Force Prepositioning Vessel**
  Department of the Navy · Due Dec 29
- B | 72 **120-Day Tanker Time Charter**
  Department of the Navy · Due Dec 3
- B | 72 **Fuels Management Services at Malmstrom Air Force Base, MT and FE Warren Air Force Bas, WY**
  Defense Logistics Agency · Due Dec 9
- B | 70 **Repair of Radome for MH-65E**
  US Coast Guard · Due Jan 12
- B | 66 **25-Day Dry Cargo Time Charter Mission**
  Department of the Navy · Due Nov 30

More from DOD Education Activity

- F | 15 **Drayage Services for the Pacific East District, Japan Blanket Purchase Agreement**
  Department of Defense Education Activity (Dodea) · Due Dec 1
- D | 44 **Student Activity Fund Accounting Software**
  Department of Defense Education Activity (Dodea) · Closed
- C | 61 **Request for Information (RFI)**
  Department of Defense Education Activity (Dodea) · Closed
- B | 72 **Fort Jackson SC Grounds Maintenance**
  Department of Defense Education Activity (Dodea) · Closed

Data and as-of times

Notice data	Official federal notice, first seen Nov 13, 2026, updated Nov 17, 2026
Market data	Federal award history, contract award types A–D, FY24–FY26, updated Nov 15, 2026
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