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## Get to Know AEPA

### What's in it for my district or school?

National Contract Purchasing provides considerable time and resource savings for participating members.

### What is the value of membership in AEPA?

Of the many advantages of this unique purchasing group are the combined human resources representing purchasing/bidding expertise, current and past vendor relationships, past experience and overall vision with regard to the needs of the qualified customers within each represented state.

### How do I know if AEPA meets my local and state purchasing regulations?

AEPA has put safeguards in place to assist with this. Each member advertises the bids in their state based on their local bidding requirements. Each contract is awarded by the member in your state, not by AEPA. This provides local control and support. AEPA does have the regulations from each state posted to its website under Legal Authority. The bid documents can be found on the AEPA website under Bidding Information or by contacting your local member representative.

### Who is AEPA?

The Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies (AEPA) is a multi-state non-profit organization made up of Educational Service Agencies / political subdivisions organized through a Memorandum of Understanding between all participating states. AEPA is a true "cooperative" that serves to leverage purchasing power to benefit all schools and agencies, regardless of size, with the ability to purchase at equal buying levels. AEPA conducts bi-annual meetings where bid responses are reviewed and evaluated by all AEPA member agencies. Once bids are approved for award by AEPA, each AEPA member state selects contracts they feel will best help their respective states. Contracts are typically awarded for one base year, with options to renew for three additional years.

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