

August 3, 2021

Memo

To: General Contractors/Community
From: Fred Woods, Superintendent, SJISD

Re: STEM Art Classroom Remodel

San Juan Island School District received only two qualified bids for the proposed remodel of the STEM building. The bid opening was on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The two qualifying bids on this project were:

- Olympic Peninsula Construction Inc. \$397,318.00
- Faber Construction Corporation \$497,777.00

After a thorough review with SJISD Facilities Director and SJISD Finance Director, I have decided to reject these bids as each of the bids is more than double our original budget for this project.

The original budget for the STEM Art Classroom Remodel was \$100,000 - \$125,000. After further discussion with an architectural consultant, the budget was increased to \$200,000 - \$250,000 to reflect the high costs of materials and construction at this time. Both bids still greatly exceeded these estimates.

It is still the district's desire to have the STEM Art Classroom Remodel completed. The district is in the process of looking at the scope of work, reorganizing future capital projects, and hoping for a price drop from this current construction climate. SJISD will request a rebid for this project at a later date.

We are optimistic about completing this project in the future.