

School Bond Bids Due For Lawrence Park

LAWRENCE PARK — Marple School Board will publicly open and read bids for bonds for erection of the Lawrence Park School at 3 p.m., Oct. 8, at the Charles H. Russell School, S. Sprout rd. and New Ardmore av., Broomall.

The general obligation coupon Improvement Bonds of the School District of Marple, totaling \$360,000, in denominations of \$1,000 each, will be at an interest rate to be named by the bidders.

Bonds will be dated Nov. 1, 1957, and will mature in numerical order to November, 1957. They are subject to the approval of Twon-send, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

Bids will be received up to 5 p.m., on Oct. 8, by Charles H. Russell, secretary of the school district, at the Russell School.

Bonds will finance the building of the Lawrence Park School on North Central Boulevard, Lawrence Park. Bids for its construction were opened and read on Sept. 10.

WORK TO START SOON

Contracts for the general construction, heating, plumbing, electrical and kitchen equipment will be awarded Oct. 3, following the opening of the bids for purchasing the bonds, and construction will begin almost immediately thereafter.

Completion date for the Lawrence Park School has been set so that it can be occupied at the opening of school in Sept. 1958. Lawrence Park children meanwhile are attending the Marple Grade School on W. Chester pk. and Malin rd., Broomall.

The school will have 18 classrooms, two kindergarten rooms, one special purpose classroom, a multi-purpose room with stage at one end and cafeteria kitchen at

the other, and administrative offices. It has been designed by Baader, Young and Schultze of Philadelphia, using masonry construction with a minimum of steel because of slow delivery of steel, with wings extending alternately from a central corridor.

RECREATION AREAS

A ball field is planned as well as all-weather play areas for each wing of the school. A parking area at the front will be supplemented in the evenings by the use of play areas which will be blocked off in the daytime.

The location at the highest point of Lawrence Park will adjoin the park to be given to Marple by the developer of Lawrence Park when streets are dedicated. The streets are laid out so that children walking to school will have to cross no major highways and will have only a few blocks to walk from any area of Lawrence Park.

The school will be built of white brick with extensive use of glass, in harmony with the Jay W. Worrall School, recently completed, and the new Marple-Newtown Senior High School, now under construction.

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