

3344-65-06 Cooperative purchases and state contracts.

- (A) Purchasing services has the authority to join cooperative purchasing organizations, defined as an arrangement to aggregate purchases to get lower prices from suppliers, provided, that such cooperative purchasing organizations use contracts that conform to the legal requirements for contracting with the state of Ohio. A list of contracts available to the university through cooperative purchasing groups is available from purchasing services.
- (B) Contracts established by the state of Ohio, office of purchasing, are also available to the university. A list of state of Ohio contracts is available on the state of Ohio website at http://procure.ohio.gov/proc/currentContracts.asp.
- (C) Prior to issuing an invitation to bid or a request for proposal, purchasers must review whether a cooperative purchasing contract or state contract exists for the goods or services to be purchased. Purchasers must use such available contracts when it is advantageous to the university to do so.

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