Three St. Cloud firms are apparent low bidders for the construction of a second nine-story residence hall at St. Cloud State College.

The firms and their base bids, opened Friday (July 23) at the college, are: General construction — Wahl Construction Company, \$958,770; electrical installation — Granite City Electric Company, \$86,784, and plumbing, heating and wentilation — Sporleders, \$182,750.

The State College Board will examine the bids before awarding contracts. Construction will begin early this fall and completion is scheduled for September of 1966.

The building will be nearly identical to Holes Hall, the college's first high-rise residence hall which is nearing completion at Third Avenue South and Fifth Street South. The companion structure will be erected east of Holes Hall on recently-acquired state property.

Each building will house 400 students, have its own standpipo fire fighting system, two high-speed elevators and a telephone in each room.

The buildings are financed by the sale of self-liquidating revenue bonds. Architects are Jackson-Hahn Associates, Inc., of St. Cloud and mechanical engineers are Orr-Schelen-Mayeron and Associates, Inc., of Minneapolis.