

## FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2026

Form 470 Application Number: 260011492

Browning School District 9 a.k.a. Browning Public Schools \_ 2026 \_ Cat 1 \_ Form 470

### Billed Entity

BROWNING SCHOOL DISTRICT 9 a.k.a. Browning  
Public Schools  
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Glacier County  
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**Billed Entity Number:** 134916

**FCC Registration Number:** 0014680748

**Number of Eligible Entities:** 12

### Application Type

**Applicant Type:** School District

**Recipients of Services:** Public School; Public School District; Tribal School

### Consulting Firms

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
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### RFPS

ID	Name
219448	2026 Form 470 RFP _ Cat 1 _ Internet _ Browning SD
219449	2026 Form 470 RFP _ Cat 1 _ WAN _ Browning SD

### Category One Service Requests

Service Type	Function	Function Other Description	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Lit Fiber		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	8	Each	Yes	219448, 219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Category One Maintenance and Operations		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	5	Each	Yes	219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Self-Provisioned Network (Applicant Owned and Operated Network)		Detailed in RFP	Detailed in RFP	12	5	Detailed in RFP	Yes	219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Services Provided Over Third-Party Networks		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	8	Each	Yes	219448, 219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Category One Network Equipment		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	5000000	Each	Yes	219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Internet Access and Data Transmission Service		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	3	Each	Yes	219448
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Standalone Internet Access Service		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12			Yes	219448
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Standalone Data Transmission Service		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	3	Each	Yes	219448
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Category One Network Equipment		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	1000000	Each	Yes	219448
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Standalone Data Transmission Service		56 kbps	10 Gbps	12	5	Each	Yes	219449
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Dark Fiber		Detailed in RFP	Detailed in RFP	12	12	Fiber Strands	Yes	219449

### Description of Other Functions

ID	Name

### **Narrative**

- Seeking bids for Category 1 services and/ or equipment according to the attached RFP document.
- All bids will be accepted for requested services and/ or equipment as requested in the associated RFP documents. Bids for services not requested through this RFP will not be considered.
- Proposed solution must have a useful life of a minimum of 5-years. Solutions with end of life or end of support dates less than five years may be dismissed
- Failure to follow the guidance of the associated RFP(s) or similar documents may be grounds for bid dismissal.
- Vendor must have a SPIN at the close of the competitive bidding process.
- Vendors that impose additional costs after bid submittal and/ or bid acceptance may be grounds for bid dismissal.
- Any required contracts, including any addendums, for services are required by E-Rate rules to be signed prior to certification of Form 471. Thus, preference may be given to bids that include - a letter of intent or service agreement, including all terms and conditions associated with acceptance of bid, and that is signed by the service provider, ready to be accepted and signed by the district. Failure to include with the bid may result in bid dismissal. It is anticipated that by requesting this, the service agreement/ contract will be included in the bid submission in order to appropriately meet all deadlines. Vendors that add/ change terms and conditions after bid submittal and/ or bid acceptance may be grounds for bid dismissal.
- Contacting district employees, board members, or other individuals outside the guidance of the associated RFP may be deemed as trying to circumvent the open and fair competitive bidding process and be grounds for bid dismissal.

- No customized service provider forms will be completed during the bidding period.
- Bids will be accepted as an attachment to an email and should be sent to all individuals listed in the RFP associated with the Form 470 or by mailing to the district. Bids submitted by other means including but not limited to texting, links embedded in an email, etc. will not be considered. Bids sent to individuals other than those listed on this RFP may not be considered. Failure to follow this guidance may be deemed as trying to circumvent the open and fair competitive bidding process and may be grounds for bid dismissal.
- District is not responsible for late bids. At Districts discretion late bids may be accepted or rejected.
- Per the Eligible Services List(s), the FCC prohibits the use of E-Rate funds to purchase or obtain any equipment or services produced or provided by a company that the Commission has designated as a national security threat to the integrity of communications networks or the communications supply chain. It is the responsibility of the service providers to ensure the equipment proposed are from reputable manufacturers not currently listed as a threat to the National Security. Bids should state such assurance. Failure to state such assurance may be grounds for bid dismissal.

### **Category Two Service Requests**

Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Other Description	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs

### **Description of Other Manufacturers**

ID	Name

### **Narrative**

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### **Technical Contact**

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### **State and Local Procurement Restrictions**

State procurement requires public notice in the local paper twice during the bidding period for contracts that exceed \$80,000.

### **Billed Entities**

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
134916	BROWNING SCHOOL DISTRICT 9 a.k.a. Browning Public Schools

## **Certifications**

I certify that the applicant includes:

I certify that the applicant includes schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801 (18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million.

### **Other Certifications**

I certify that this FCC Form 470 and any applicable RFP will be available for review by potential bidders for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted will be carefully considered and the bid selected will be for the most cost-effective service or equipment offering, with price being the primary factor, and will be the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology goals.

I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the time of this certification) after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the service delivery deadline for the associated funding request. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the form for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program.

I certify that I have reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that I have complied with them. I acknowledge that persons willfully making false statements on this form may be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program.

I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes, see 47 C.F.R. § 54.500, and will not be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.513. Additionally, I certify that the entity or entities listed on this form have not received anything of value or a promise of anything of value, other than services and equipment sought by means of this form, from the service provider, or any representative or agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for services.

I acknowledge that support under this support mechanism is conditional upon the school(s) and/or library(ies) I represent securing access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that I have considered what financial resources should be available to cover these costs. I certify that I am authorized to procure eligible services for the eligible entity(ies). I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this form, that I have examined this request, and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

NOTICE:

In accordance with Section 54.503 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, certain schools and libraries ordering services that are eligible for and seeking universal service discounts must file this Description of Services Requested and Certification Form (FCC Form 470) with the Universal Service Administrator. 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. The collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. 47 U.S.C. § 254. The data in the report will be used to ensure that schools and libraries comply with the competitive bidding requirement contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. Schools and libraries must file this form themselves or as part of a consortium.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information requested in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether you have complied with the competitive bidding requirements applicable to requests for universal service discounts. If we believe there may be a violation or a potential violation of any applicable statute, regulation, rule or order, the information you provide in this form may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information you provide in this form may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government is a party of a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding. In addition, information provided in or submitted with this form, or in response to subsequent inquiries, may also be subject to disclosure consistent with the Communications Act of 1934, FCC regulations, the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, or other applicable law.

If you owe a past due debt to the federal government, the information you provide in this form may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federal agencies and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund or other payments to collect that debt. The FCC may also provide the information to these agencies through the matching of computer records when authorized.

If you do not provide the information we request on the form, the FCC or Universal Service Administrator may return your form without action or deny a related request for universal service discounts.

The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, completing, and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the reporting burden to the Federal Communications Commission, Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Washington, DC 20554. We also will accept your comments via the email if you send them to PRA@FCC.gov. DO NOT SEND COMPLETED WORKSHEETS TO THESE ADDRESSES.

### **Authorized Person**

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### **Certified Timestamp**

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