



**FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2026**

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**Billed Entity**

UNIVERSAL ACADEMY  
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County  
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**Billed Entity Number:** 16080743  
**FCC Registration Number:** 0024511586

**Number of Eligible Entities:** 1

**Application Type**

**Applicant Type:** School  
**Recipients of Services:** Charter School; Public School

**Consulting Firms**

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
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**Consultants**

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**RFPS**

ID	Name

**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	Internet Access and Data Transmission Service		500 Mbps	1 Gbps	2	2	Each	Yes	

**Description of Other Functions**

ID	Name
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Narrative
<p>Category 1 Bidding Requirements</p> <p>Please adhere to the following guidelines: To ensure that all potential bidders/vendors have an equal bidding opportunity, all questions must be submitted by email. It is necessary to include both the consultant and technical contact on all written communication. All communication must be done by email. Do not contact the technical contact or consultant by phone. You must include the Form 470 number in the subject line of your email. You must include your SPIN and verify you have a current SPAC with the bid. Please also confirm green light status with E-Rate. Internet/data is included on this Form 470. All speeds are minimum/maximum, or greater than. All bids must be received no later than the Allowable Contract Date. If received after the Allowable Contract Date, they may be disqualified. All agreements and contracts must include an E-Rate contingency clause. All agreements and contracts must break out any ineligible items that are included on the proposal. All bids must be presented by building/address. Pricing must be broken down by line item. Vendors will need to confirm in their proposals that they are authorized to do business in the state that the applicant is located. Vendor must state start date.</p>

**Category Two Service Requests**

Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Other Description	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Internal Connections	Cabling	No Preference				Feet	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Cabling	No Preference				Feet		
Internal Connections	Antennas, Connectors, and Related Components	No Preference				Each	No	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Antennas, Connectors, and Related Components	No Preference				Each		
Internal Connections	Racks	No Preference			1	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Racks	No Preference			1	Each		
Internal Connections	Switches and Necessary Software and Licenses	Cisco Systems or equivalent			6	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Switches	Cisco Systems			6	Each		
Internal Connections	Wireless Access Points and Necessary Software and Licenses	Ruckus or equivalent			48	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Wireless Access Points	Ruckus			48	Each		
Internal Connections	Wireless Controllers and Necessary Software and Licenses	Ruckus or equivalent			2	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Wireless Controllers	Ruckus			2	Each		
Internal Connections	Firewall Service, Components, and Necessary Software and Licenses	Fortinet or equivalent			4	Each	Yes	

Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Other Description	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Firewall Service and Components	Fortinet			4	Each		
Internal Connections	Uninterruptable Power Supply/ Battery Backup and Necessary Software and Licenses	No Preference			2	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Uninterruptable Power Supply/ Battery Backup	No Preference			2	Each		
Managed Internal Broadband Services	Existing Equipment			2				

**Description of Other Manufacturers**

ID	Name
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Narrative
<p>Category 2 Bidding Requirements</p> <p>Quantities are approximate. Please adhere to the following guidelines: To ensure that all potential bidders/vendors have an equal bidding opportunity, all questions must be submitted by email. It is necessary to include both the consultant and technical contact on all written communication. All communication must be done by email. Do not contact the technical contact or consultant by phone. You must include the Form 470 number in the subject line of your email. You must include your SPIN and verify you have a current SPAC with the bid. Please also confirm green light status with E-Rate. All bids must be received no later than the Allowable Contract Date. If received after the Allowable Contract Date, they may be disqualified. All agreements and contracts must include an E-Rate contingency clause. All agreements and contracts must break out any ineligible items that are included on the proposal. All proposals that include FIREWALLS must contain verification from the manufacturer that states the eligible percent of the product. All hardware bids must be presented by building. Pricing must be broken down by line item, which also needs to include make, model, and description. All hardware bids should include related components and software that will enable the functionality of proposed equipment. This includes, but not limited to: stacking cables, modules, licenses, mounting brackets, installation/configuration, and basic maintenance. Please take notice, and adhere to, the FCCs Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, dated 10/29/2019, which prohibits Universal Service funding for network equipment which poses a threat to national security. Vendors will need to confirm in their proposals that they are authorized to do business in the state that the applicant is located. All proposals must include an equipment spec sheet for each hardware item listed. The applicant will first consider bids that are complete. A complete bid follows and addresses all guidelines above. Any incomplete or partial bids may be disqualified by the applicant per E-Rate rules.</p>

**Technical Contact**

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**State and Local Procurement Restrictions**

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**Billed Entities**

<b>Billed Entity Number</b>	<b>Billed Entity Name</b>
16080743	UNIVERSAL ACADEMY

**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.

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**Authorized Person**

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**Certified Timestamp**

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