



FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

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 CENIC470FY2026-K12Node-R1

Billed Entity

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FCC Registration Number: 0011656477

Number of Eligible Entities: 25000

Application Type

Applicant Type: Consortium

Statewide State:

CA

Recipients of Services: Adult Education; Charter School; Detention Center; Dormitory; ESA School; General-Use School; Head Start; Juvenile Justice; New Construction School; Pre-K; Swing Space; Tribal School

Statewide Application Represents:

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RFPS

ID	Name
233301	Exhibit A CENIC NDA 2026
233302	Exhibit D K12 Node FY27 28 Final
233303	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL K12 Node Final
233304	Exhibit C updated for FY 2026
233305	Exhibit E 2026

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	Standalone Data Transmission Service		1 Gbps	100 Gbps	10000	76	Each	Yes	233301, 233302, 233303, 233304, 233305
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Dark Fiber		Detailed in RFP	Detailed in RFP	10000	2	Fiber Strands	Yes	233301, 233302, 233303, 233304, 233305
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Leased Lit Fiber		1 Gbps	100 Gbps	10000	76	Each	Yes	233301, 233302, 233303, 233304, 233305
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Category One Maintenance and Operations		1 Gbps	100 Gbps	10000	76	Each	Yes	233301, 233302, 233303, 233304, 233305

Description of Other Functions

ID	Name
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IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION: With this FCC Form 470 CENIC is procuring lit or managed circuits and optional dark fiber segments for middle mile connections for the K12 High Speed Network. CENIC is seeking data transmission

services only and not Internet access services. Note that in order to receive addresses for CalREN hub sites, bidders must complete Exhibit A CENIC NDA and return to 2027K12RFP@cenic.org unless they already have a current NDA on file. All questions are to be submitted in writing to 2027K12RFP@cenic.org. Frequently asked questions are posted at CENIC's website at the following URL: <https://cenic.org/publications/2027k12noderfp>. Note that the quantities listed on this FCC Form 470 are best estimates. Final quantities ordered will depend on the available bandwidths and final network configurations. Exhibit D lists the A and Z locations for which E-rate eligible pricing and solutions are requested as well as indicates desired bandwidths. Broadband services SHALL consist of one of the following or equivalent: (1) Metro Ethernet service (MEF standards compliant) at the CIRs requested, (2) dedicated lit DWDM-based or direct-fiber-based point-to-point at Gigabit (1,000 Mb/s), 10 Gigabit (10,000 Mb/s), 100 Gigabit (true 100GbE not 10x10GbE) (100,000 Mb/s), or 400 Gigabit (true 400GbE not 4x100GbE (400,000 Mb/s), or (3) a pair of single mode dark fibers (Optional), connecting each site to the specified location on Exhibit D. Note that some of the bandwidths requested exceed the maximum currently available in the FY 2027 FCC Form 470 dropdown selections which currently lists the maximum as 100 Gbps. CENIC is seeking bids up to 400 Gbps. If discounts are available for ordering multiple circuits, please indicate the discounted rates under the Multiple Bandwidth sections in Exhibit D. CENIC plans to post a separate Form 470 and RFP for Category One network equipment for all of its segments. For the convenience of sorting and evaluation, responses MUST be submitted using the Pricing Worksheet (Exhibit D) and responses cannot be in PDF or locked spreadsheets. SPAM and/or robotic responses will not be considered valid bid responses and will be disqualified from consideration. Bidders are to carefully review the Request for Proposal documents and exhibits for all minimum bidding requirements, terms and conditions, bid disqualification factors, and deadlines associated with this procurement.

Refer to attached RFP Documents:

Request For Proposal Document K12 Node 2027

Exhibit A: Nondisclosure Agreement

Exhibit B: CENIC Hub Site List (must have a current NDA on file. This Exhibit may be returned signed by emailing 2027k12rfp@cenic.org

Exhibit C: Reporting Requirements for Federal and State Discounts

Exhibit D: Circuit Pricing Worksheet

Exhibit E: Required Information for Special Construction for USAC Program Integrity Review provided for reference only

Range of Years: 1 - 4 Years

Payment Type: Annual

Category Two Service Requests

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

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Technical Contact

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State and Local Procurement Restrictions

Bidders are to carefully review the Request for Proposal documents and exhibits for all minimum bidding requirements, terms and conditions, bid disqualification factors, and deadlines associated with this procurement. All questions are to be submitted in writing to 2027K12RFP@cenic.org. For the convenience of sorting and evaluation, responses MUST be submitted using the Pricing Worksheet (Exhibit D) and responses cannot be in PDF or locked spreadsheets. Supplemental pricing explanations are acceptable as long as the required Pricing Worksheet is used. SPAM and/or robotic responses will not be considered valid bid responses and will be disqualified from consideration. CENIC MAY also seek to supersede contracts to individual consortium members during the term of awarded contracts such that the individual members become the customers of record, and, therefore, assume both financial responsibility for the service and the responsibility to apply for their own E-rate and CTF discounts. Any oral statements made by CENIC employees, consultants or others will not be binding.

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
225495	CENIC-CORPORATION FOR EDUCATION NETWORK INITIATIVES IN CALIFORNIA

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.

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