



BEN# 126981
RFP for WAN FY2027

I. Timeline

Event	Date
470 Issued	Thursday, September 17, 2026
Deadline for Responder's Technical Questions	Friday, October 9, 2026
Deadline for Proposal Submission	Allowable contract date determined by USAC

II. Statement of Purpose

Sampson County Schools (SCS) is seeking bids for a five-year WAN Contract with five, one-year optional extensions. The five-year contract would run from 7/1/2027-6/30/2032. This contract should offer a range in bandwidth for 22 plus 1 (possibly temporary) site from 1 Gbps (minimum) up to 10 Gbps, as well as a 10 Gbps(minimum) to 25 Gbps to the Central Office, increasable/decreasable as needed. All services should be fiber running all the way into the school/site. All sites must be operational by August 12, 2027, or Vendor will be responsible for covering cost to current service provider.

Presently, SCS has 4 high schools and 4 middle schools with a 2.5 Gbps service. The remaining 13 sites are operating at 1 Gbps. Our Central Office currently has a 10 Gbps service. SCS is also building a new Hobbton High School across the highway from the existing building. Opening for this school is set to open in June 2028. Fiber to the new location will already be run during the construction phase of the project. Once this new school is open, the current schools speed will decrease to 1Gbps or be terminated.

This contract must include the **ability to increase/decrease capacity** within these parameters during the term of the contract. SCS is requesting a speed price book to reflect these speeds and aid in future growth and budgetary planning. Contract should allow for **closing and opening of additional sites as needed over the contract**. This contract is to include all necessary equipment needed to provide this bandwidth service, setup and installation, all additional fees and taxes, and 24hr monitoring and service to correct problems.

Contract is dependent on Erate funding.

III. Q&A

All questions are due to Belva Lovitt before October 9th via Google Form at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyxb6v86yBpNEKBgq4uxqAYhp5uLvcMg3ahdSmc22Y1By7-A/viewform?usp=publish-editor> . Answers will be posted in the RFP section of the Form 470.

IV. Evaluation Criteria:

- Price
- Understanding of Needs
- Local/Instate Vendor
- Indirect cost to change providers.
- Prior Experience/Relationship

V. Vendors must:

- Submit proposals by Allowable Contract Date as determined by USAC.
- **Bids should be submitted via Dropbox:**

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/78rxssvvgiymny83jki1>

VI. Right of Rejection:

- Bids other than those requested will be disqualified.
- Emailed bids will be disqualified.
- On-site visits/calls concerning bidding, during bidding process will also disqualify vendors.

VII. List of District Locations and current speeds:

School	Address	Speed to Site
Clement Elementary (K-5)	3220 Maxwell Road, Autryville 28318	1 Gbps
Hargrove Elementary (K-5)	7725 Faison Highway, Faison 28341	1 Gbps
Hobbton Elementary (K-5)	12361 Hobbton Hwy., Newton Grove 28366	1 Gbps
Hobbton Middle (6-8)	12081 Hobbton Hwy., Newton Grove 28366	2.5 Gbps
Hobbton High (9-12) (Current Location)	12201 Hobbton Hwy., Newton Grove 28366	2.5 Gbps
New Hobbton High School (9-12)	12240 Hobbton Hwy, Newton Grove 28366	2.5 Gbps
Lakewood High (9-12)	245 Lakewood School Rd., Salemburg 28385	2.5 Gbps
Midway Elementary (K-5)	15375 Spivey's Corner Hwy, Dunn 28334	1 Gbps
Midway Middle (6-8)	1115 Robert's Grove Road, Dunn 28334	2.5 Gbps
Midway High (9-12)	15274 Spivey's Corner Road, Newton Grove 28366	2.5 Gbps
Plain View Elementary (K-5)	4140 Plain View Hwy., Dunn 28334	1 Gbps
Roseboro Elementary (K-5)	180 Butler Island Rd., Roseboro 28382	1 Gbps
Roseboro-Salemburg Middle (6-8)	305 W. Pleasant Street, Roseboro 28382	2.5 Gbps
Salemburg Elementary (K-5)	404 E. College Street, Salemburg 28385	1 Gbps
Union Elementary (K-2)	10400 Taylor's Bridge Hwy., Clinton 28328	1 Gbps
Union Intermediate (3-5)	1190 Edmond Mathis Road, Clinton 28328	1 Gbps
Union Middle (6-8)	455 River Road, Clinton, 28328	2.5 Gbps
Union High School (9-12)	1189 Kader Merritt Road, Rose Hill 28458	2.5 Gbps
SC Early Childhood Dev. Ctr.	1500 Midway Elementary School Rd, Dunn 28334	1 Gbps
Alt. Learning at C E Perry	705 Boone St, Roseboro, NC 28382	1 Gbps
Central Office	437 Rowan Road, Clinton 28328	10 Gbps
Transportation	1030 Indian Town Road, Clinton 28328	1 Gbps
Plant OPS	2081 Indian Town Road, Clinton 28328	1 Gbps