2611-19

Self-Provisioned Customer-Owned Fiber/WAN Broadband Services (E-Rate)

Issue Date: 9/21/2026
Questions Deadline: 10/7/2026 03:00 PM (CT)
Response Deadline: 11/12/2026 10:00 AM (CT)

Contact Information

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Ship To Information

Address: Various Locations
Keller, TX 76248

Billing Information

Contact: Accounts Payable
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Keller, TX 76248
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Email: accountspayable@kellerisd.net

Bid Activities

Day 1 Mandatory Walkthrough — 10/5/2026 10:00:00 AM (CT)

Keller ISD Education Center
350 Keller Parkway
Keller, TX 76248

Day 2 Mandatory Walkthrough — 10/6/2026 10:00:00 AM (CT)

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350 Keller Parkway
Keller, TX 76248

Bid Attachments

General_Conditions_(4).pdf — View Online

General Conditions

W-9.pdf — View Online

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2026-2027 InstructionalCalendar.pdf — View Online

2026-2027 Instructional Calendar

CIQ.pdf — View Online

Conflict of Interest

KISD-Campus Locations.pdf — View Online

KISD Building Locations

E-Rate Requirements.pdf View Online

E-Rate Requirements

Keller ISD FY2027-2028 Pricing Sheet .xlsx View Online

Keller ISD FY2027-2028 Pricing Sheet

Requested Attachments

W-9

(Attachment required)

Upload a current copy of your company's W-9.

Additional Documents (Optional)

Attach any additional documents you would like to provide Keller ISD, such as marketing materials.

Conflict of Interest

Completed Form required only if a conflict exists.

FCC Registration Number (FCC RN)

(Attachment required)

FCC Form 498 ID (Service Provider Identification Number

(Attachment required)

Keller ISD FY2027-2028 Pricing Sheet

(Attachment required)

Bid Attributes

1 General Conditions

The general conditions for this proposal are listed in an attachment. Have you read the general conditions and understand all that is contained within?

☐ Yes

(Required: Check if applicable)

2 Electronic Response

Although we are legally required to accept paper submittals, we strongly encourage that respondents submit electronically. Electronic bidding will eliminate errors, unnecessary work, and reduce paper. When filing this response electronically, please do not send us a paper copy as the electronic version will prevail.

Please confirm that you have read and understand this instruction.

☐ I Acknowledge

(Required: Check if applicable)

3 Term of Bid

The award of this bid will be from July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2037, with the option to renew for 10 additional years. The district reserves the right to adjust the award period if required.

4 SPIN - Service Provider Identification Number

Please provide your Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN/FCC 498 ID) as assigned by the Schools and Library Division. This is required to submit.

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(Required: Maximum 20 characters allowed)

5 **Resident Bidder**

Resident Bidder refers to a person whose principal place of business is in this state, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in the state of Texas. I certify that my company is a "Resident Bidder".

☐ ☐ Yes, my company`s primary state is Texas ☐ No, Texas is not our resident state

(Required: Check only one)

6 **Non-Resident Bidder**

If Texas is not your resident state, please input the state in which the principal place of business is located.

(Optional: Maximum 1000 characters allowed)

7 **Company Contact Information**

Please list the name of the person that Keller ISD can contact in regards to the bid submittal, and to whom questions pertaining to purchases and purchase orders should be addressed.

(Required: Maximum 1000 characters allowed)

8 **Company Contact Phone Number**

Please list the phone number of the company contact person that KISD would be calling in regards to this bid submittal and questions pertaining to purchases and purchase orders.

(Required: Maximum 1000 characters allowed)

9 **Company Contact Fax Number**

Please list the fax number of the company contact person that KISD would be calling in regards to this bid submittal and questions pertaining to purchases and purchase orders.

(Required: Maximum 1000 characters allowed)

10 **Company Contact Email Address**

Please list the email address of the company contact person that KISD would be emailing in regards to this bid submittal and questions pertaining to purchases and purchase orders.

(Required: Maximum 1000 characters allowed)

11 **Company Website**

Please provide your company website.

(Optional: Enter URL)

12

Remit to Address for Payment

Please input your remit to address for payments to be sent.

(Required: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

13

No Deviations

I certify that there are No Deviations from the specification.

☐ Agree

(Optional: Check if applicable)

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Deviations

All deviations to the specifications must be noted. In the absence of any entry, the vendor assures the buyer of their full compliance with the specifications and conditions. The form may be duplicated as needed.

(Optional: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Reference 1

The Bidder is to submit three (3) references that have contracted with their company to provide like products and/or services. Include the company name, address, phone number, contact person and email address. It is recommended that the Bidder show school districts or other local government organizations equal to Keller ISD in size and structure, if possible. Note: Failure to supply complete reference information may be grounds for bid disqualification.

(Required: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Reference 2

Reference Number 2 company name, address, phone number, contact person and email address.

(Required: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Reference 3

Reference Number 3 company name, address, phone number, contact person and email address.

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(Required: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Federal Communications Commission E-Rate barred, suspended or prohibited

During the last five (5) years, has the Vendor been barred, suspended or otherwise prohibited from participating in the Federal Communication Commission E-Rate (Schools & Libraries) or Rural Health Care Programs?

If yes, please provide information concerning the investigation/lawsuit/government action as an attachment to this form.

☐ No ☐ Yes

(Required: Check only one)

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FCC Registration Number

Does the Vendor's FCC Registration Number have RED light status?

Attach a printout of your FCC Registration Number red or green light status from the FCC's Red Light Display System (RLDS)3

If yes, please provide information concerning the investigation/lawsuit/government action as an attachment to this form.

☐ Yes ☐ No

(Required: Check only one)

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Litigation

Litigation: Provide details of any past or pending litigation, or claims filed against your firm in the past five years that may affect your performance under a Contact with the Owner. (If the answer to any of the questions below is yes, please attach details). If this is not applicable please respond accordingly.

- Has your organization ever failed to complete any work awarded to it?
- Are there any judgments, claims, arbitration proceedings, or suits pending, or outstanding, against your organization or its officers?
- Has your organization filed any law suits or requested arbitration with regards to contracts within the last five years?

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(Optional: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Felony Conviction Notification

State of Texas Education Code, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony. Subsection (b) states a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract. - THIS NOTICE IS NOT REQUIRED OF A PUBLICLY-HELD CORPORATION The vendor is to certify that the information concerning notification of felony convictions has been reviewed and the information furnished is true to the best of my knowledge.

☐ No-Firm is not owned/operated by a convicted felon

☐ Yes-Firm is owned/operated by a convicted felon ☐ Not Applicable--Publically held corporation

(Required: Check only one)

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Felony Conviction Explanation

THIS QUESTION IS REQUIRED ONLY IF YOU HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY. Please provide information regarding the felony convication.

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(Optional: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Conflict of Interest

Does the company or any of the representatives of the company have an affilitation or business relationship with an employee or contractor of the local governmental entity who makes recommendations to a local government officer of the local governmental entity with respect to expediture of money?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(Required: Check only one)

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Conflict of Interest Explanation

If you choose "YES" that a Conflict of Interest exists, please describe.

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(Optional: Maximum 4000 characters allowed)

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Criminal History

Awarded vendor(s) shall certify to Keller ISD that any representatives and employees who will be performing services on campuses or will have direct contact with students shall be subject to a criminal history check and shall not have a criminal history which is objectionable to the District. If employees are to be on campus locations, they must provide a current drivers license to be checked within the Raptor security system.

☐ I understand these expectations

(Required: Check if applicable)

26

Non-Collusion Statement

Do you affirm that you are duly authorized to execute this contract, that this company, corporation or firm has not prepared this bid in collusion with any other bidder, and that the contents of this bid as to the prices, terms or conditions of said bid have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by the employee or agent to any other person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal.

☐ I affirm ☐ I cannot affirm

(Required: Check only one)

27

House Bill 89 Verification

Vendor agrees, under the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270.001 & 2270.002:

Vendor verifies that it does not currently nor will it during the term of a contract with Keller ISD boycott Israel. “Boycott Israel” means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes. The foregoing verification only applies if Bidder has 10 or more full-time employees and the value of a contract with Keller ISD is $100,000 or more.

☐ Yes, I affirm ☐ No, I do not affirm

(Optional: Check only one)

28

Keller ISD EDGAR Certifications

Keller ISD is in the process of ensuring that all policies and procedures involving the expenditure of federal funds are compliant with the new Education Department General Administrative Guidelines (EDGAR). Part of the process involves ensuring that all current vendors agree to comply with EDGAR. You must complete attributes 29 - 43 as a part of your response document. The following certifications and provisions are required and apply when Keller ISD expends federal funds for any contract resulting from this procurement process. Pursuant to 2 C.F.R. 200.326, all contracts, including small purchases awarded by the District and the District’s subcontractors shall contain the procurement provisions of Appendix II to Part 200, as applicable. Vendor agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, as applicable. It is further acknowledged that vendor certifies compliance with all provisions, laws, acts, regulations, etc. as specifically noted below. For each of the attributes below, Vendor should certify Vendor's agreement and ability to comply, where applicable, by selecting "YES". If the Vendor is unable or unwilling to certify they should select "NO". If you fail to complete any attribute below, Keller ISD will consider and may list the Vendor's response as unable or unwilling to comply. A "NO" response to any of the below attributes may, if applicable impact the ability of Keller ISD to purchase from the Vendor using federal funds.

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Simplified Acquisition Threshold

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at $150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

☐ No ☐ Yes

(Required: Check only one)

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Termination for Cause and for Convenience

All contracts in excess of $10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.

☐ No ☐ Yes

(Required: Check only one)

31	**Equal Employment Opportunity** Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of “federally assisted construction contract” in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, “Equal Employment Opportunity” (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, “Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity,” and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, “Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.” ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*

32	**Davis-Bacon Act** Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of $2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”). The Act provides that each contractor or sub recipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*

33	**Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act** Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of $100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*

34	**Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement** Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or sub recipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or sub recipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
35	**Clean Air Act** Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and sub grants of amounts in excess of $150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
36	**Debarment and Suspension** Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
37	**Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment** Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding $100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
38	**Record Retention Requirements for Contracts Involving Federal Funds** When federal funds are expended by Keller ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, Vendor certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333. The Vendor further certifies that Vendor will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or sub grantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*

39	**Certification of Compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act** When Keller ISD expends federal funds for any contract resulting from this procurement process, Vendor certifies that it will comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C 6321 et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18). ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
40	**Certification of Compliance with Buy America Provisions** Vendor certifies that Vendor is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
41	**Certification of Access to Records - 2 C.F.R. § 200.336** Vendor agrees that the Inspector General of the District or any of their duly authorized representatives shall have access to any books, documents, papers and records of Vendor that are directly pertinent to Vendor's discharge of its obligations under the Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. The right also includes timely and reasonable access to Vendor's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion relating to such documents. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*
42	**Certification of Applicability to Sub-Contractors** Vendor agrees that all contracts it awards pursuant to the Contract shall be bound by the foregoing terms and conditions. ☐ No ☐ Yes *(Required: Check only one)*

Bid Lines

1 SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS
(Line excluded from response total)

Quantity: 1 UOM: EA

Item Notes: Keller Independent School District ("KISD," "Keller ISD," or the "District") is soliciting sealed proposals for the Installation of Self-Provisioned Customer-Owned Fiber (minimum 6 strands single-mode), Category One Network Equipment necessary to make a Category One service functional, Category One Maintenance & Operations (M&O) for District-owned/self-provisioned fiber, and/or Wide Area Network (WAN) broadband services provided over a third-party network, connecting the District facilities identified in Line Item 2, Scope of Work.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) states the instructions for submitting proposals, the procedure and criteria by which a vendor may be selected, and the contractual terms by which Keller ISD intends to govern the relationship between the District and the selected vendor. It is the District's intention to award a contract to the company or companies whose proposal(s) represent the best value to the District, considering price, service, and overall value, consistent with Texas Education Code § 44.031(b).

Keller ISD is technology-neutral with respect to the third-party network option and will consider any delivery method — including leased lit fiber, fiber/copper hybrid, licensed microwave, or other transport — capable of meeting the bandwidth requirements described herein.

Proposals and the pricing contained therein must be held open and firm for one hundred eighty (180) days following the deadline for receipt of proposals, and for the duration of the applicable E-Rate funding year as described in Section 6.0.

☐ Additional notes
(Attach separate sheet)

Supplier Notes: _____

Item Attributes

1. General Information

1.1 Communication with the District. It is the responsibility of the proposer to inquire about any requirement of this RFP that is not understood. Inquiries must be submitted in the ebidding system under the Questions tab. All questions and District responses will be posted publicly under the Questions tab.

1.2 Mandatory Walkthrough. All vendors intending to submit a proposal are required to attend a mandatory site walkthrough. Vendors will meet the District's designated representative at the Keller ISD Education Center, 350 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248. Vendors who do not attend the mandatory walkthrough will be disqualified from further consideration.

1.3 Award of Proposal. The Keller ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to award this RFP on an item-by-item basis, in whole, or in part, and is not necessarily bound to accept the lowest-priced proposal. Keller ISD will conduct a comprehensive, fair, and impartial evaluation of all proposals to determine overall responsiveness and completeness. The District may, in its sole discretion, deem a proposal non-responsive if the proposer fails to comply with the instructions in this RFP, and may disqualify non-responsive proposals from further evaluation. The ranking/selection of proposals will be presented to the Board, which may delegate authority to Administration to negotiate, finalize, and execute a contract.

1.4 Confidentiality. Materials contained in proposals submitted to Keller ISD are subject to the Texas Public Information Act and may be viewed and/or copied by members of the public, including competitors and news agencies, following contract award. Keller ISD will honor requests for confidentiality of proprietary information to the extent allowed by law and E-Rate program rules. Proposers should clearly and specifically mark any portions of their proposal considered confidential or proprietary.

1.5 Costs of Preparation. The proposer assumes all costs associated with the preparation of its proposal and any presentations related to the proposal process.

1.6 Proposal Understanding. By submitting a proposal, the proposer agrees and assures that the specifications herein are adequate and that the proposer accepts the terms and conditions of this RFP. Any exceptions must be clearly noted on a separate exceptions page (see Section 1.8).

1.7 Proposal Validity. Unless otherwise specified, all proposals are valid for one hundred eighty (180) days after the proposal due date.

1.8 Exceptions. Each proposer must submit a separate exceptions page listing all exceptions taken to any specification, term, or condition of this RFP. If a proposer takes no exceptions, it must still submit the page so noted. Failure to submit an exceptions page may result in disqualification of the proposal as non-responsive.

1.9 Errors. Proposals may be withdrawn or amended at any time prior to the proposal deadline. If a significant mistake is discovered in the apparent low proposal, the proposer will be given the option of honoring the proposed price or withdrawing the proposal. Where an extension error has been made, the unit price will prevail.

2. Timetable

Event	Date
Release of RFP	Monday, September 21, 2026
Day 1 Mandatory Walkthrough	Monday, October 5, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT
Day 2 Mandatory Walkthrough	Tuesday, October 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT
Deadline to Submit Questions	Wednesday, October 7, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. CT
District Response to Questions / Addendum Posted	Wednesday, October 14, 2026
Deadline for Submittal of Proposals	Tuesday, November 12, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CT
Anticipated Board Award	December 17, 2026
FCC Form 471 Filing Window	Per the official USAC FY2027 filing-window dates when announced
Contract / Service Start Date	July 1, 2027

2.1 Deadline for Submittal. Proposals must be received by the date and time listed above. Proposals received after this time will not be considered. The District is not responsible for unmarked or improperly marked proposals, nor for proposals delayed in the mail. The time and date recorded by the recipient is the official time of receipt. Faxed proposals will not be accepted. Proposals may be submitted at any time prior to the deadline.

3. General Terms and Conditions

3.1 Term. Any contract or Service Agreement executed as a result of this RFP for services provided over a third-party network, or for a vendor-recommended solution, shall have an initial term of ten (10) years. Keller ISD may exercise up to ten (10) successive one-year extension options solely at the District's discretion through affirmative written notice, subject to the pricing and maximum escalation limits contained in the awarded proposal. The total term, including all extensions, shall not exceed twenty (20) years. Automatic or evergreen renewal provisions are prohibited.

3.2 No Oral Modification. No oral statement of any person shall modify, change, or otherwise affect the terms, conditions, or specifications of this RFP or any resulting contract.

3.3 Contract Documents. If a separate contract is not executed, the contract between the parties shall consist of this RFP, the proposal submitted by the vendor, all specifications and modifications thereto, and a purchase order or letter of agreement signed by both Keller ISD and the vendor (collectively, the "Contract Documents").

3.4 Severability. If one or more clauses of the contract are declared invalid, void, unenforceable, or illegal, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

3.5 Governing Law and Venue. This RFP and any resulting contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to its conflict-of-laws principles. Venue for any dispute shall lie in Tarrant County, Texas.

3.6 Tax Exemption. Keller ISD is a governmental entity exempt from Federal Excise Tax, Federal Transportation Tax, and Texas state sales tax. Pricing shall be quoted net of these taxes; exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

3.7 Equal Opportunity. The vendor and all sub-vendors agree not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability, or veteran status, and to provide reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request, consistent with Keller ISD Board policy and the Equal Employment Opportunity requirements of the State of Texas.

3.8 Independent Contractor. The vendor is an independent contractor. The manner in which services are performed shall be controlled by the vendor; however, the nature of the services and the results to be achieved shall be specified by the District. The vendor is not an employee or agent of Keller ISD and has no authority to bind the District except as expressly stated herein.

3.9 Indemnification. The vendor agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Keller ISD and its trustees, officers, and employees from and against all claims, demands, damages, losses, costs, and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising from injury to persons or property, or any other cause, in connection with the operations of the vendor or any sub-vendor under any resulting agreement.

3.10 Quantities. Quantities described in this RFP are based on estimated District needs. Keller ISD reserves the right to adjust quantities up or down to meet actual needs at the time of award and throughout the term of the contract.

3.11 Payment / Service Provider Invoicing. It is the District's preference to use the Service Provider Invoice (SPI) method (FCC Form 474) for E-Rate discounted services. A vendor unable or unwilling to provide SPI billing must state so in its proposal and describe its ability to support the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) method (FCC Form 472) instead. SPI or BEAR billing may occur only after issuance of the applicable FCDL, completion of all Form 486 and service-start requirements, delivery and District acceptance of the authorized goods or services, and receipt of an accurate site-level invoice that complies with applicable USAC deadlines. Keller ISD will pay its required non-discount share and any approved ineligible or locally funded costs within thirty (30) days after receiving a correct invoice. Partial-installation invoices are permitted only for completed and accepted milestones specifically authorized by the District in writing.

3.12 Cancellation / Non-Appropriation. If the District fails to appropriate funds for the annual renewal of a contract, the District may cancel without termination charge, provided the vendor receives at least thirty (30) days' written notice citing lack of funding as the reason. Keller ISD further reserves the right to cancel this contract, without penalty, upon thirty (30) days' written notice if the vendor fails to fulfill or abide by the terms, conditions, or specifications of the contract.

4. Insurance Requirements

The successful proposer shall furnish, and maintain throughout the term of the contract, certificates of insurance evidencing the following minimum coverages. Keller ISD retains the right of approval over insurance coverage and must be named as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability policy. Certificates must be filed with Keller ISD prior to the commencement of any work.

Coverage	Minimum Limit
General Liability - General Aggregate	$1,000,000
Commercial General Liability - Each Occurrence	$1,000,000
Fire Damage (any one fire)	$50,000
Medical Expense (any one person)	$5,000
Automobile Liability - Combined Single Limit	$1,000,000
Umbrella / Excess Liability	State limits carried
Workers' Compensation - Statutory / Each Accident	$500,000
Employers' Liability - Disease, Policy Limit	$500,000
Employers' Liability - Disease, Each Employee	$500,000

Insurance requirements apply equally to any subcontractor performing work under the resulting contract; the vendor is responsible for ensuring subcontractor compliance. Policies must provide for thirty (30) days' written notice to Keller ISD prior to cancellation or material change. The vendor shall waive all rights of subrogation against the District, its officials, employees, and volunteers, and shall indemnify and hold the District harmless.

5. Evaluation Process

Keller ISD will award the contract to the proposer responsible whose proposal represents the best value to the District, applying the Best Value standard set out in Texas Education Code § 44.031(b). Final evaluation of pricing will be based on the unit prices submitted on the Pricing Sheets (Section 9.0).

5.1 Evaluation Criteria and Weighting

Evaluation Criteria	Points
Price of E-Rate products and services	50
Reputation of the vendor and vendor's goods or services	8
Quality and reliability of vendor's goods or services	8
Extent to which the proposal meets the district's needs	8
Documented relevant experience and performance, including equivalent external references	5
Ineligible/Local lifecycle cost to the district	5
Impact of district's compliance with laws relating to Historically Underutilized Businesses	1
Other relevant factors: Service Agreement (5) Proposed Implementation Plan (5) Local Service and Support Team (5)	15
Total	100

Eligible - Price Scoring. Price of E-Rate-eligible products and services will be evaluated using the standardized eligible-cost schedules over the district's 20-year evaluation period. The lowest responsive eligible evaluated cost will receive 50 points. Other responsive proposals will receive points according to the following formula:

(Lowest responsive eligible evaluated cost / Proposers eligible evaluated cost) x 50.
Ineligible or locally funded costs will not be included in this factor. Optional years are included for evaluation consistence only and do not obligate Keller ISD to exercise an extension.

Ineligible/Local Lifecycle-Cost Scoring. The lowest responsive ineligible or locally funded lifecycle cost will receive 5 points. When the lowest evaluated cost is great than zero, other responsive proposals will receive points according to the following formula:

(Lowest responsive ineligible/local evaluated cost / Proposers ineligible/local evaluated cost) x 5.
If the lowest evaluated cost is zero, proposals with zero ineligible/local evaluated cost will receive 5 points, and proposals with an evaluated cost greater than zero will receive zero points under the factor. This factor will remain separate from the E-Rate-eligible price factor.

Evaluation scores will be aggregated by the evaluation committee, and the highest cumulative score will represent the proposal offering the best overall value to the district.

Evaluation controls. Before proposals are opened, Keller ISD will approve and timestamp the final evaluations matrix. Each evaluator will retain and individual score sheet, supporting notes, and a conflict-of-interest disclosure. Criteria, weights, and formulas will not change after proposals are opened.

5.2 Disqualification Criteria

The district will disqualify a proposal for any of the following:

- Submission by fax
- Failure to attend the mandatory walkthrough (Section 1.2)
- Non-responsive or materially incomplete proposal
- Absence of pricing for any service or equipment specifically required in this RFP
- Absence of a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN)
- Current federal, state or local debarment or suspension
- Failure to submit a complete exceptions page as required by Section 1.8

6. E-Rate Program Terms

Any award and resulting contract are subject to Keller ISD Board approval, the availability of appropriate funds, and, for the E-Rate-discounted portion of the project, receipt of an acceptable Funding Commitment Decision Letter from USAC. If E-Rate funding is denied, reduced, or delayed, Keller ISD may, through written notice, cancel the affected work without penalty, reduce the project scope, defer commencement, or authorize all or part of the work using available local funds. The vendor shall not begin affected work without the district's written authorization. Pricing must be held firm for the duration of the applicable E-Rate funding year, or until all associated work is complete (including any USAC-approved extensions). The following conditions apply:

1. Only proposers holding a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) are eligible to respond.
2. The awarded provider must file the FCC Form 473/SPAC for each applicable funding year before submitting, or enabling Keller ISD to submit, any SPI or BEAR reimbursement request. The provider must maintain a valid FCC 498 ID/SPIN and all required E-Rate registrations throughout contract performance.
3. Keller ISD will verify the selected provider's FCC Red Light Status and federal debarment status before contract award and before processing E-Rate invoices or reimbursements. The selected provider must resolve any Red-Light Status before E-Rate funds may be disbursed and must promptly notify the District of any change in its eligibility status.
4. Proposers are expected to be thoroughly familiar with all applicable E-Rate program rules and requirements, including those published by USAC.
5. Keller ISD will be responsible for its required non-discount share of USAC-approved eligible costs and for all approved ineligible or locally funded costs associated with work expressly authorized by the district. The vendor may not waive, credit, reimburse, or otherwise directly or indirectly fund Keller ISD's required non-discount share.
6. In the event of questions during an E-Rate program integrity or audit review, the awarded vendor is expected to respond within three (3) business days regarding its proposal.
7. Vendor agrees to resolve any formal written billing dispute within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt. If unresolved within that period, vendor agrees to issue credit to the district on the next billing cycle.
8. The vendor shall retain all records sufficient to demonstrate compliance with E-Rate requirements, including proposals, pricing, contracts, amendments, invoices, proof of payment, discount calculations, equipment and service details, routes, permits, testing and acceptance records, credits, and communications, for at least ten (10) years after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the applicable service-delivery deadline. Records must be retained longer when required by law, contract, audit, appeal, or investigation. The vendor shall promptly provide requested records to Keller ISD, USAC, the FCC, auditors, and other authorized agencies.

Keller ISD Record Retention. Keller ISD will maintain its own complete procurement and E-Rate record, including the RFP, FCC Form 470, bids, evaluation materials, contracts, amendments, funding decisions, invoices, proof of payment, correspondence, and supporting documentation. Use of a consultant or vendor does not transfer or replace the district's record-retention responsibility.

Lowest Corresponding Price (LCP). As required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.500(f), all proposals in response to this RFP must offer the Lowest Corresponding Price — the lowest price, a service provider charges to non-residential customers similarly situated to Keller ISD for similar services. Additional guidance is available at usac.org under the E-Rate Programs Lowest Corresponding Price resources.

Special Construction. "Special construction" refers to the eligible, non-recurring, upfront costs of installing new fiber to or between eligible entities, consisting of (a) construction of network facilities, (b) design and engineering, and (c) project management. Special construction does not include network equipment necessary to light fiber, or the services necessary to maintain fiber; those items are eligible for Category One support as separate services. Proposers should review current USAC guidance on Special Construction Charges (available at usac.org/E-Rate) for complete details before submitting pricing.

7. District and Vendor Responsibilities

7.1 Keller ISD Responsibilities

Keller ISD will provide the vendor and its employees access to the premises during installation at reasonable hours, or at such hours as the District and vendor mutually agree. The vendor will not be held accountable for delays caused or permitted by the District. If Keller ISD does not receive the full amount of requested E-Rate funding for an E-Rate funded purchase, the District has the discretion to nullify and cancel the affected portion of the contract.

7.2 Vendor Responsibilities

The vendor must provide all supervision, labor, construction tools, equipment, hardware, wiring materials, transportation, construction, unloading, inspection, and inventory necessary to complete the work. Wherever this RFP uses "provide," "furnish," "supply," or "install," such tasks are the vendor's responsibility unless the District expressly states otherwise. The vendor will:

- Provide for installation of all conduits and sleeves through firewalls as required to meet code;
- Install wire, cable, and associated hardware per manufacturer specifications;
- Conduct tests and inspections in the presence of District personnel following installation;
- Promptly correct all defects for which the vendor is responsible;
- Coordinate all work with the District's designated point of contact.

The vendor must remove all tools, equipment, rubbish, and debris from the premises daily and leave the work area clean. Vendors may use subcontractors, but all responsibility for the work remains with the vendor. Access to buildings occupied by children requires advance coordination with the District's designated representative.

7.3 Circuit Certification and Testing Requirements

The selected vendor is responsible for the installation, certification, and testing of all WAN circuits and/or fiber segments to confirm compliance with Keller ISD's performance and reliability standards.

- Testing Standards: All circuits/fiber shall be tested consistent with TIA/EIA, ITU-T, and IEEE specifications applicable to the delivered service.
- Certification: The vendor shall provide end-to-end certification of each circuit or fiber span, verifying throughput, latency, jitter, packet loss, and error rates (as applicable) against the applicable service level agreement.
- Test Equipment: The vendor shall use calibrated, industry-standard test equipment.
- Documentation: The vendor shall submit detailed test reports for each circuit/span, including OTDR results (1310 nm and 1550 nm, bidirectional) for fiber, and throughput/latency/jitter/loss data for third-party network circuits.
- Acceptance Testing: Keller ISD reserves the right to conduct independent acceptance testing. Circuits and fiber must pass all acceptance tests before being deemed operational.
- Remediation: Any circuit or span failing to meet performance standards must be remediated at the vendor's expense upon District notification.
- Cost Responsibility: The vendor bears all costs of testing, certification, and remediation. Failure to meet these requirements may result in rejection of the circuit(s) and/or termination of the contract.

7.4 As-Built Documentation

Upon completion of the project, the vendor shall provide comprehensive as-built documentation to Keller ISD, including scaled as-built drawings showing final conduit paths, handhole and splice locations, fiber counts, and termination points; digital files in PDF and KMZ (Google Earth) formats; and labeling diagrams matching installed physical components. As-built documentation must be submitted and approved before final invoice payment, becomes the property of Keller ISD, and must reflect actual field conditions verified after project completion.

7.5 Warranty

The vendor warrants materials, workmanship, and work to conform to the specifications in this RFP. Fiber materials shall carry a minimum twenty (20) year warranty; workmanship shall carry a minimum one (1) year warranty from the date of acceptance, covering parts, labor, travel, and related expenses. Warranty service shall be available on a 24-hour/day, 365-day/year basis with an onsite response time not to exceed four (4) hours for critical system failures.

2 Scope of Work

Quantity: 1 UOM: EA Unit Price: $ Total: $

Supplier Notes:

☐ No bid

☐ Additional notes *(Attach separate sheet)*

Item Attributes

1. Scope of Work

Keller ISD is seeking proposals to extend, operate, and support District network infrastructure connecting the following facilities. Vendors may respond to Option 1 (Self-Provisioned Customer-Owned Fiber), Option 2 (Services Provided over a Third-Party Network), Option 4 (Vendor Recommended Solution), and/or Option 5 (Category One Maintenance & Operations). Vendors may also propose Option 3 (Category One Network Equipment) when that equipment is necessary to make a proposed Option 1, Option 2, or Option 4 Category One solution functional. Keller ISD will select the option, or combination of options, that provides the best value to the District and complies with E-Rate requirements.

2. Service Locations

From	To
Keller High School Field House 601 N. Pate Orr Road, Keller, TX 76248	Keller ISD Education Center 350 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248
Keller Athletic Complex 500 N. Pate Orr Road, Keller, TX 76248	Keller ISD Education Center 350 Keller Parkway, Keller, TX 76248
Keller Middle School 300 N. College Street, Keller, TX 76248	Keller ISD Grounds / Facilities Building 328 Lorine Street, Keller, TX 76248

In each building, respondents must run infrastructure or service to an existing network closet or MDF/IDF designated by Keller ISD. Exact closet locations and access instructions will be confirmed during the mandatory walkthrough.

3. Option 1 - Self-Provisioned Customer-Owned Fiber

Keller ISD is seeking proposals for the installation of District-owned, self-provisioned fiber optic cable of a minimum of six (6) strands, single-mode (OS2), between the locations identified above, in accordance with the Construction Specifications in "Keller ISD FY2027-2028 Pricing Sheet". Proposers shall separately identify the total installed cost of the proposed six-strand cable and any incremental material or labor cost attributable to the selected strand count. Keller ISD will determine any required E-Rate cost allocation based on the final supported design, educational use, and then-current FCC and USAC requirements. Costs will not be treated as ineligible solely because particular strands are not lit at the time of installation.

Six-Strand Engineering Basis. Keller ISD requires a minimum of six usable strands. Four strands, configured as two fiber pairs, will support primary and redundant network connectivity when service begins. The remaining two strands will be reserved for maintenance, emergency restoration, and reasonable future network needs. A lower strand count would not provide both the required redundant connectivity and dedicated restoration capacity consistent with the District's network-resiliency design.

Each proposer responding to Option 1 must submit a full and detailed response including, at minimum:

- Total Special Construction Cost, broken out by Service Location
- Cost per foot for the fiber bundle
- Installed unit price and total price for the proposed six-strand cable and, where commercially available and technically feasible, the next lower and next higher standard strand counts. The proposer must clearly identify the incremental cost difference attributable to each strand-count option.
- Cost per foot of fiber installation (splicing, pulling through conduit, hanging on poles, etc.)
- Cost per foot of outside plant materials (conduit, handholes, markers, aerial make-ready materials, etc.)
- Cost per foot of outside plant installation (trenching, handhole/marker installation, aerial make-ready installation, etc.)
- Percent and average cost per foot of aerial fiber, direct-buried fiber, and fiber buried in underground conduit, for each segment.
- **A map file of the proposed fiber route in KMZ or printed format, with existing fiber shown in green and newly constructed fiber shown in red.**

4. Option 2 - Service Provided over a Third-Party Network

Keller ISD is seeking proposals for a fully managed, vendor-owned and operated WAN circuit between the locations identified above, with a minimum guaranteed bandwidth of 10 Gbps per circuit and the ability to scale to 100 Gbps, for a ten (10) year service term as described in Section 3.1. This option is technology-neutral and may include leased lit fiber, fiber/copper hybrid solutions, or licensed microwave/wireless transport capable of meeting the required bandwidth and reliability.

Each circuit must provide symmetrical, full-duplex service with a committed information rate equal to the ordered bandwidth. The service may not be oversubscribed, shared, burst-only, or rate-limited below the ordered capacity. The full ordered bandwidth must be continuously available between the designated District endpoints.

The vendor must provide an optical Ethernet handoff using single-mode fiber at the district-designated MDF, IDF, or demarcation point identified in the final endpoint and route exhibits. Unless Keller ISD approves another configuration in writing, the handoff must use industry-standard LC connectors and an Ethernet interface appropriate for the ordered 10, 25, 40, or 100 Gbps service. The vendor must identify the proposed interface standard, optic type, connector type, and demarcation equipment in its proposal. The vendor is responsible for all facilities and equipment required to deliver service to the designated demarcation point.

Each circuit must meet the following minimum performance standards: monthly availability of at least 99.99 percent per circuit; average round-trip latency not exceeding 10 milliseconds between District endpoints; average jitter not exceeding 5 milliseconds; and packet loss not exceeding 0.1 percent. Performance must be measured continuously on a 24-hour-per-day, 365-day-per-year basis and reported separately for each circuit. Approved scheduled maintenance periods may be excluded from availability calculations only when conducted within the permitted maintenance window and communicated to Keller ISD in advance.

The vendor must provide continuous 24×7×365 network monitoring and a staffed network operations center capable of receiving trouble reports at all times. For a complete circuit outage or other critical service failure, the vendor must acknowledge the incident within fifteen (15) minutes, begin active troubleshooting immediately, provide Keller ISD with status updates at least every thirty (30) minutes, and restore service within four (4) hours.

The vendor must provide a written root-cause analysis within five (5) business days following restoration of any critical outage.

Scheduled maintenance that may affect service must be performed between 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. Central Time. The vendor must provide Keller ISD with at least seven (7) calendar days' written notice describing the affected circuits, anticipated impact, and expected duration. Emergency maintenance must be communicated as soon as reasonably possible. Maintenance performed outside the approved window or without the required notice will be counted as service downtime when calculating availability.

Service Credits. Service credits will be calculated separately for each circuit based on monthly availability. Credits must be applied automatically to the next invoice and may not require Keller ISD to submit a separate claim. The following minimum credits apply:

Monthly availability for the affected circuit	Credit against that circuit's monthly recurring charge
99.99% or greater	No Credit
99.90% - 99.989%	10%
99.00% - 99.899%	25%
Below 99.00%	50%

A continuous outage exceeding the four-hour restoration requirement will result in an additional credit equal to 10 percent of the affected circuit's monthly recurring charge for each additional four-hour period, up to a total monthly credit of 100 percent. Service credits do not limit any other contractual remedy available to Keller ISD.

Proposers must provide separate pricing and estimated implementation lead times for 10 Gbps, 25 Gbps, 40 Gbps, and 100 Gbps service for each circuit. Pricing for each bandwidth tier must identify all applicable MRC, NRC, special construction, equipment installation, taxes, and surcharges. Prices must be fixed by contract year or subject to a stand maximum annual escalation rate.

Each proposer responding to Option 2 must submit a full detailed response including, at minimum:

- Special Construction Charges, if any (see Note About Special Construction, Section 6.0)
- Non-recurring charges, such as installation and configuration
- Monthly recurring charges, per circuit and in total
- A detailed description (part number/SKU, description, function, unit price, extended price) of all equipment required to make the service functional in the District's network environment
- Proposed Service Legal Agreement (SLA) terms, including guaranteed uptime, mean-time-to-repair, and any service credit for non-performance

5. Option 3 - Category One (C1) Network Equipment

E-Rate Classification Note. Equipment requested under this option is intended to be Category One Network Equipment only when it is necessary to make the requested Category One data transmission/self-provisioned network service functional.

Keller ISD is seeking proposals for Network Equipment necessary to make a proposed self-provisioned fiber or third party-network solution functional. Bidders shall assume that Keller ISD will reuse existing network electronics where technically compatible. Any new equipment proposed must be necessary for the bidder's solution, identified by endpoint and solution, and separately itemized.

For each proposed item, the bidder must provide the manufacturer, model and SKU, equipment function, quantity, port speed and interface, optic type and supported distance, connector type, compatibility with the proposed service and Keller ISD's existing environment, redundancy requirements, rack and power requirements, management or licensing requirements, installation and configuration costs, ownership, anticipated useful life, replacement assumptions, unit price, extended price, recurring support or licensing costs, proposed E-Rate eligibility percentage, and eligibility rationale.

E-Rate-eligible, potentially eligible subject to USAC review, and ineligible or locally funded amounts must be separately identified. Equipment requirements disclosed or materially changed after the RFP is posted will be communicated to all bidders through a written addendum and handled in accordance with applicable E-Rate competitive-bidding requirements.

6. Option 4 - Vendor Recommended Solution (Optional)

Vendors may propose an alternative solution only if it remains within the service types, equipment categories, endpoints, and quantities requested in this RFP and the corresponding FCC Form 470. The solution must serve the same listed locations and provide a minimum capacity of 10 Gbps, scalable to 100 Gbps. A proposal that materially expands the requested services, equipment, locations, or scope will not be considered under this RFP.

Any District decision to consider a material expansion of the requested service types, equipment, endpoints, quantities, or minimum requirements will be issued through a written addendum and, when required by E-Rate rules, accompanied by an updated FCC Form 470 and a new or recalculated 28-day competitive-bidding period.

7. Option 5 - Category One Maintenance & Operations (M&O) for District-Owned/Self-Provisioned Fiber

Keller ISD is seeking proposals for ongoing Category One maintenance and operations (M&O) of the district's existing customer-owned/self-provisioned fiber network identified in the pricing schedules and route tables of this RFP. This option is separate from the construction of any new self-provisioned fiber requested under Option 1. Vendors may bid on this M&O option independently or in combination with other options.

The requested M&O services shall include, at a minimum, routine and preventive maintenance and repair of District fiber, cable, splice points and access points; patrol and inspection of fiber routes; cable-locate/811 and "call before you dig" coordination; maintenance of route markers/signage where permitted; assignment and dispatch of qualified maintenance technicians; periodic fiber testing, including OTDR testing when appropriate; troubleshooting; and maintenance of records documenting work performed.

The selected provider must provide 24×7×365 emergency response capability for fiber outages, cuts, degradation, or other service-affecting conditions. Emergency services shall include temporary restoration/splicing when necessary to restore service promptly, followed by permanent repair as soon as practicable. The provider should maintain access to appropriate repair equipment, splicing equipment, and spare cable/materials sufficient to support timely restoration.

For scheduled maintenance that may affect service, the provider shall coordinate the work with Keller ISD in advance and perform the work during a District-approved maintenance window. For emergency or unscheduled maintenance, the provider shall notify Keller ISD as soon as reasonably possible, provide status updates during the repair process, and document the cause, corrective action, and final restoration.

Pricing for this option must be provided separately by maintained route/segment and must clearly identify: (1) routine annual M&O charges; (2) emergency labor rates; (3) materials and restoration charges or the basis used to calculate such charges; (4) fiber-locate services; (5) monitoring or operations-center charges, if any; (6) annual escalation limits; and (7) the vendor's proposed E-Rate eligibility percentage and rationale. E-Rate-eligible, potentially eligible subject to USAC review, and ineligible/local costs must be separately identified.

Maintenance and operations services requested under this option are intended to support the district's existing Category One fiber network. Maintenance of District-owned internal network electronics, end-user equipment, or other Category Two equipment is not included under this Category One M&O option unless expressly identified elsewhere in the RFP and eligible under applicable E-Rate rules.

Brands / Or Equal / Substitutions
Any brand names referenced in this RFP are for descriptive purposes only, to indicate the quality, design, and utility desired, and are not intended to restrict competition. A proposed "or equal" product must be accompanied by a specification sheet and, where applicable, a photo of the proposed substitute; Keller ISD will determine whether the substitution is an equal or greater product. Substitutions after contract award are not permitted without the district's prior written approval, requested at least thirty (30) days before the proposed substitution.

8. Option 5 Pricing Requirement - Category One Maintenance & Operations

Vendors propose pricing using the Keller ISD FY2027-2028 pricing sheet, as applicable to the option(s) selected. Each service location shall be priced individually. All pricing must be all-inclusive with no additional costs expected to be incurred by the district beyond what is stated. Vendors shall complete the Lifecycle Cost Schedule for each proposed solution. Keller ISD will compare all responsive options over the same District-established evaluation period using the assumptions stated in this RFP. Bid totals must separately identify E-Rate-eligible costs, potentially eligible costs subject to USAC review, and ineligible or locally funded costs. Annual costs must be covered by contract year. Lifecycle-Cost Evaluation Assumptions. Keller ISD will evaluate all responsive solutions over a 20-year period using annual pre-discount costs. The district will compare the nominal annual costs submitted for Years 1–20 without applying a present-value discount rate. Bidder-provided fixed prices and annual escalation limits will be applied as submitted. Equipment replacement costs will be included in the year anticipated by the bidder. Any claimed residual or salvage value must be separately identified, supported by the bidder, and entered as a negative cost in Year 20. Optional contract years will be included for evaluation consistency only and do not obligate Keller ISD to exercise an extension.

3 Service Pricing Sheets

Quantity: 1 UOM: EA Unit Price: $ Total: $

Item Notes: Vendors shall propose pricing using the tables attached, as applicable to the option(s) selected. Each service location shall be priced individually. All pricing must be all-inclusive with no additional costs expected to be incurred by the district beyond what is stated.

☐ No bid

☐ Additional notes *(Attach separate sheet)*

Supplier Notes: _____

Supplier Information

Company Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

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By submitting your response, you certify that you are authorized to represent and bind your company.

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Print Name *Signature*