

DATE: October 1, 2026

DISTRICT NAME: Kent ISD (BEN 131582)

SUBJECT: Addendum to Universal Service Fund Request for Proposal (RFP)
(FY26: 2026-2027)

ASSOCIATED FORM 470: 270001171

8.4.0 NETWORK ELECTRONICS REQUIREMENTS

The intent of the Network Electronics Requirements is to provide relevant information that allows the Bidder to bid the labor, supervision, tooling, materials, and miscellaneous mounting hardware and consumables; compatible with the District's existing network infrastructure. The Bidder may choose to Bid materials and labor combined, *or* equipment only, labor only, as separate Bids. For acceptable product substitutions, see section 3.4.0.

2.0.0 BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1.0 BID OPENING

All Bid responses to this RFP must be **in duplicate** in a sealed opaque envelope labeled as follows: *Network Electronics: Firewall - FY2027 USF Bid and "November 02, 2026". The bidder must also upload a complete electronic copy of their bid on the Triple R bidder portal no later than 2:00 PM, November 02, 2026. The bidder must contact Jeremy Flores at jeremy@triple-r.us to request access into the bidder portal for bid submission.*

- 2.1.1** No oral, telephonic, telegraphic, e-mail or facsimile Bids will be considered.
- 2.1.2** No Bids will be considered after **2:00 PM, November 02, 2026.**
- 2.1.3** The Bidder shall be responsible for the timely delivery of the Bid; the District shall not be liable to any Bidder for any delivery or postal delays and postmarking to the bid opening date will not substitute for receipt of the Bid.
- 2.1.4** All timely submitted Bids received by the District will be opened at the **Administration Building, 2930 Knapp Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525** at **2:00 PM, November 02, 2026** for recommendation to the Board of Education at a future regularly scheduled meeting.
- 2.1.5** If the District is closed due to unforeseen circumstances on the bid opening date, Bids will still be opened using the bidder portal for all properly submitted bids uploaded to the bidder portal by **2:00 PM, November 02, 2026.** The district must receive the paper copy from the bidder within three days of the bid opening date or the bid is subject to rejection.

8.4.1 Firewall*

The District is accepting Bids for firewall network electronics equipment listed in the table below. The bid must also include any necessary mounting hardware and software license as applicable. This service is for the time period from July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2028. Any and all USF E-Rate “ineligible” products and/or services must be listed separately in the Bid.

Location	Manufacturer	Part Number	Description	Qty
District Wide	Fortinet (or equivalent)	FG-1200G-BDL-950-60	Hardware plus FortiCare Premium and FortiGuard Unified Threat Protection (UTP) 5-Year Term	2
	Cisco (or equivalent)	QSFP-100G-CU5M	100G QSFP28 Passive Direct Attach Copper cable, 5 meters	2
		QSFP-100G-CU3M	100G QSFP28 Passive Direct Attach Copper cable, 3 meters	2
	Juniper (or equivalent)	JNP-100G-DAC-0-5M-PRO	Juniper compatible 100G DAC cable, 5 meters	2
		JNP-100G-DAC-0-3M-PRO	Juniper compatible 100G DAC cable, 3 meters	2

** All Bid prices for the eligible equipment listed in section 8.4.1 must include the following technical services and 3-year warranty according to the USF E-Rate Eligible Services List (ESL) ¹ for Funding Year 2027 - 2028:*

- a. Basic project management
- b. Basic design and engineering
- c. Installation, activation, and initial configuration (Separate labor cost by eligible and ineligible products and services for the firewall)
- d. Basic training for the eligible equipment

¹ USF E-Rate Conditions: Clarification of the USF/E-Rate conditions is available at the following USAC/SLD website link: <http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/beforeyoubegin/eligible-services-list.aspx>