

DATE: October 19, 2026

DISTRICT NAME: Kent ISD (BEN 131582)

SUBJECT: Addendum to Universal Service Fund Request for Proposal (RFP)
(FY27: 2027-2028)

ASSOCIATED FORM 470: 270001171

1.4.0 ADDENDUM QUESTIONS

No further questions and answers will be answered at this time.

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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 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 20, 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.

Questions and Answers:

1. Based on the Fortinet model specified, it looks like you are sizing for roughly 40gb of Threat Protection. What percentage of that traffic do you anticipate decrypting in the future (10%, 50%? etc.)? -
Answer: We plan to encrypt up to 50% of the traffic.
2. What is the max number of unique users for VPN access?
Answer: 246 Unique users, the most concurrently that we have seen is about 20.
3. How many IPSec tunnels will terminate on the firewall and what is the aggregate traffic of these tunnels?
Answer: 30 Ipsec tunnels terminate. Estimate aggregate traffic – 1 Gbps.
4. For the HA Pair are you looking for an Active / Passive or Active / Active setup?
Answer: This will be determined after the bidder is selected.