

Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service, L.L.C.

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RFP FOR ERATE YEAR 30 ~ FUNDING YEAR 2027-28

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

Mrs. Alicia Ketcher, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Jennifer Cone, Administrative Assistant

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463355 E 835 Road

Stilwell, OK 74960

918-696-7509

District Billed Entity Number:	140431
RFP Posting Date:	September 29, 2026
# of Days Given for Competitive Bidding:	35 Days
BID DUE DATE:	November 3, 2026
Number of Classrooms with Telephone Service:	5
Number of Access Points:	13

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ERATE CATEGORY 1 REQUESTS

1. INTERNET ACCESS:

Leased Lit Fiber - Internet Access and Transport Bundle - Internet Access ISP Service Only:

- a. Currently, Rocky Mountain School District has 1 GB.
- b. Rocky Mountain is seeking bids for the following bandwidth levels:
 - i. 1 GB minimum / maximum**
- c. Please include all eligible components, installation fees, monthly fees, category 1 equipment, configuration, engineering fees, and /or maintenance to provide reliable Internet Access.
- d. Leased Lit Fiber must include Internet Access.
- e. Any non-recurring construction cost must be categorized as "SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION," cost allocated from the Internet Access service.
- f. Any Erate ineligible services must be cost allocated from the Internet Access service.
- g. Our intent is to conform to OUSF/SETDA's fair and open competitive bidding requirements.
- h. All technologies will be considered.
- i. All OUSF/SETDA-eligible providers are invited to bid.
- j. Dmarc: 463355 E 835 Rd Stilwell, OK 74960

2. MANAGED ROUTER FOR INTERNET ACCESS COMPATIBLE WITH NETWORK. (OPTIONAL)

All bids must be sent to bidsforerate@yahoo.com by 11:59 PM on or before November 3, 2026.

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BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SERVICE PROVIDERS

1. All Applicants and Service Providers must follow all SLD/USAC/FCC guidelines to allow a fair and competitive bidding process. For more information, go to the SLD's website at <http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step01/competitive-bidding.aspx>

2. All bids must be sent to bidsforerate@yahoo.com

3. Bids 20 pages and under may be submitted via email at bidsforerate@yahoo.com . List the Name of the Applicant and Form 470 # in the subject line of your email.
4. Bids over 20 pages CANNOT be submitted by email. The bid must be postmarked by the due date listed on the first page of the RFP. (The FCC requires the RFP be open for bidding for a full 28 days.) You must ***NOTIFY ME*** and mail TWO (2) hard copies of your bid to the following address:

**Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service
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***Write the Name of the Applicant and the Form 470 #
in the bottom, left-hand corner of the envelope.***

5. **The vendor/bidder must be an eligible provider when bidding on Category 1 Services, as defined in 17 O.S. § 139.102 (11).**
6. **Service Provider must clearly identify the business name and corresponding SPIN on bid(s).**
7. All Service Providers must have a FCC Registration Number assigned by the Federal Communication Commission.
8. Any contract renewals will be able to be terminated on a 30-60-day notice with no penalties.
9. Service Provider must specify their service level agreements.
10. By submitting a bid, you are indicating that you have a valid status with the Erate Program, and you are not in the red-light status with Erate.
11. All contracts awarded will be contingent upon the School District's Board Approval and Erate Funding. The applicant may choose to do all or part of the project at the time of funding.
12. **Service Providers are required to provide applicants their services at the LOWEST CORRESPONDING PRICE per erate rules.** <http://www.usac.org/sl/service-providers/step02/lowest-corresponding-price.aspx>
13. **Bids must contain all costs. Ineligible services must be priced separately, and clearly marked as "Ineligible."**
14. **COST ALLOCATIONS FOR INELIGIBLE SERVICES:** After the bid due date, all bids are reviewed and evaluated by the applicant using the scoring process recommended by the SLD. Applicants are required by the Erate Program to evaluate bids based on the COST of eligible goods and services, and they must cost-allocate out any fees for ineligible products or services from the funding request.

15. If you are bidding on Internet Access, you must clearly identify the cost of any ineligible services to be cost-allocated out – web hosting, content filtering, email services, or other bundled ineligible services.
16. **When providing bids for Internet Access and/or WAN, do not provide more than 3 options. For example: service providers can submit a bid for the applicant's existing Internet speed, plus 2 greater options in appropriate increments. Do not provide excessive options. The applicant will only review 3 options.**
17. Note to service providers about Lit Fiber and Dark Fiber: New for Funding Year 2016-17 - E-rate funding is available for leased lit fiber, dark fiber, and self-provisioned broadband networks (Second E-rate Modernization Order (FCC 14-189). To read the requirements, go to: <http://usac.org/sl/applicants/step01/requirements-for-fiber.aspx> In addition, the Applicants non-discounted portion may be spread out for up to 4-years in installment plans between the applicant and the service provider. Applicants seeking bids for special construction of dark fiber or self-provisioned broadband network must also seek and evaluate compatible lit fiber bids.
18. ***Service Providers submitting bids on CATEGORY 2 Services must provide a detailed item description, including but not limited to all make, model numbers, functionality, entity location, total cost, ineligible portion, and one-time charges where applicable.***
19. If the applicant listed a specific make or model number for equipment, the Applicant will also accept bids for compatible, equivalent equipment.
20. **Service Providers must present corresponding CONTRACTS at the time of bidding.**
21. **Applicants are required to review and evaluate all bids presented on time.**
22. If your bid(s) is selected, you will be contacted for signatures via email. Due to E-rate deadlines, it is crucial for you to return your signature promptly, and with very quick turn-around time. Make arrangements now to have your authorized personnel available for signatures. **Most signatures will need to be returned within 24-Hours of notification or the next business day.**
23. Price must be held firm for the entire associated E-rate Funding Year or until all work associated with the project is completed, including any USAC approved extension. Upon installation of Internal Connections, all erate eligible equipment must be labeled appropriately using the matching FRN, Form 471 #, PO # and installation date.
24. The Applicant has the choice of using the Service Provider Invoice (SPI) or Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) Form method of invoicing/reimbursement. The service provider must make themselves familiar with both methods. <http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step06/default.aspx>
25. OUSF – Service Providers who are bidding on OUSF eligible services must be an approved Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier, Onenet, or a company that has a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the service area for the applicant's location. Also, the funded service provider must file for OUSF funds within 90 days for the start of OUSF eligible services.
26. **All bids must be sent to bidsforerate@yahoo.com**

Disqualification Factors:

Bids received after 11:59 PM of the RFP's due date will be automatically disqualified and will not be included in the Bid Evaluation Process.