All bid deadlines are 11:59pm Pacific Time the date of the bid deadline listed unless otherwise noted.

Hutto ISD

IFCB Posted : Oct 6, 2026

Bid Deadline : Sunday, Nov 29, 2026

Questions Due By : Sunday, Nov 1, 2026

Applicant Address : Hutto, TX 78634

IFCB ID : 270001542

IFCB Requirements :

UPDATE 10/06/26: Requested bandwidths for Internet circuits have been updated.

- Before the listed deadlines, all Questions and Bids must be submitted using the on-line IFCB system. Bids submitted before the bid deadline outside of this system will be disqualified. If the system is down before the deadline, please email your bid to info@crwconsulting.com or fax it to 918.445.0049. Bids or questions submitted in this fashion will be disqualified if the on-line system is active at the time of submission. The applicant reserves the right to request and obtain bids outside of the website system if the bid deadline has passed and zero or one bid is received (the intent for this is to follow USAC guidance on obtaining cost-effective bids).

- For all requested services and/or products listed on this IFCB: proposals that include generic/encyclopedic price lists will be considered non-responsive and will be disqualified. SPAM and/or robotic responses will not be considered valid bid responses and will be disqualified from consideration.

- Bidder must agree to participate in USF Program (AKA “E-rate”) for the corresponding funding year.

- Please include the correct Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) on your bid.

- By submitting a bid, bidder certifies that the bidder does have a valid (non-red light status) SPIN for the E-rate program at the time of submission. Should the Applicant discover that the bidder is on red light status, or if the FCC classifies the bidder as on red-light status before work is performed and invoices are paid, the contract will be null and void and the applicant will have no payment obligations to the bidder.

- Bidder is expected to provide the lowest corresponding price per E-rate rules. See https://www.usac.org/e-rate/service-providers/step-2-responding-to-bids/lowest-corresponding-price/ for details.

- Contracts must not prohibit SPIN changes.

- Bidder must agree to provide the Applicant the choice of discount methods (SPI or BEAR).

- Bidder will be automatically disqualified if the District determines that the bidding company has offered any employee of the District any individual gift of more than $20 or gifts totaling more than $50 within a 12 month period.

- All contracts awarded will be contingent upon E-rate funding and final board approval. The applicant may choose to do all or part of the project upon funding notification.

- All applicable fees, surcharges, and taxes must be identified on the bid. E-rate rules require the applicants to evaluate the price of eligible goods and services that will be listed on the 471 application during the competitive bidding process. Fees and surcharges that apply but are not listed on the bid will be the responsibility of the bidding company, should their bid be awarded.

- If there is a request to purchase or lease new equipment, either Category Two or Category One, listed on this IFCB the applicant will accept bids for functionally equivalent equipment.

- E-rate rules require applicants to evaluate the cost of eligible goods and services, and to cost-allocate out the amount for ineligible services from their funding request. If your company will be bidding internet access service, please identify the amount to be cost-allocated out for the ineligible services – email service, web hosting, content filtering, or other bundled ineligible services.

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- INTERNET ACCESS DISQUALIFICATION FACTOR: Bids that do not include Dedicated Internet Access (guaranteed bandwidth, synchronous speeds) will be disqualified.

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- DISQUALIFICATION FACTOR INTERNAL CONNECTIONS: The applicant will not accept bids from manufacturers of equipment deemed a national security threat by the Federal Communications Commission. The list of prohibited equipment is available here: https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/coveredlist . Vendors that submit bids that includes these manufacturers will have their bid disqualified.

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Services and Equipment Requested :

UPDATE 10/8/26: The question and bid deadlines have been extended.

Category One:
IInternet Access - District currently has 5 GB bandwidth and is considering increasing up to 10 GB. The terminating address for this circuit is located at 4033 FM 1660, Hutto TX 78634. Vendors should provide pricing for 5GB, 6GB, 7GB, 8GB, 9GB, and 10GB bandwidths. If providing a multi-year contract, district would like the option to upgrade during the contract term.

Internet Access - District currently has 1 GB bandwidth and is considering increasing up to 10 GB. The terminating address for this circuit is located at 303 CR 137, Hutto, TX 78634. Vendors should provide pricing for 1GB, 2GB, 5GB, and 10 GB bandwidths. If providing a multi-year contract, district would like the option to upgrade during the contract term.

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Category Two:

INTERNAL CONNECTIONS

Must include installation and configuration for all equipment. No Drops.

Type of Equipment	Quantity Vendor Should Bid	Preferred Make/Manufacturer
Switches	15	Ruckus ICX 8200-C08ZP-V (small/PoE) with 5-year licenses
Switches	27	Ruckus ICX 8200-48P (access) with 5-year licenses
Switches	19	Ruckus ICX 8200-48Z (multi-gig) with 5-year licenses
Switches	1	Ruckus ICX 7850-48FS (distribution) with 5-year licenses
Modules, GBIC, transceivers	180	optics/SFPs required to light the listed ICX switches for Creekside (vendor to propose quantities consistent with the switch BOM). No standalone optics
UPS/Battery Backup	22	Vertiv UPS
Wireless Access Points	120	Ruckus AP670 with 5-year licenses

COMPATIBILITY REQUIREMENT:

Equipment must be compatible with existing current environment Ruckus virtual SmartZone.

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There is an additional document associated with this IFCB. Please click the buttons to download the document.

Hutto_C2_COVER_PAGE2.pdf

2026_C2_Bidding_Instructions38.pdf

Questions Received with Applicant Answers (Ask Questions?)

1. May a vendor bid the complete Category Two project without bidding Category One internet services? 2. Please provide the required models/specifications for the 22 Vertiv UPS units, including capacity, runtime, input/output connections, rack-mount kits, network management cards, and warranty/support. 3. For the optics/SFPs, is 180 a fixed quantity or should vendors determine quantities based on the switch design? Please provide required speeds, fiber types, distances, connector types, and any required stacking cables or DACs. 4. Please confirm the exact access-point model/SKU listed as "Ruckus AP670," the required five-year license/support SKUs for switches and access points, and the existing virtual SmartZone version and available license capacity. 5. Please provide installation site addresses, equipment quantities by location, and any available floor plans or network diagrams. Does "No Drops" mean all required copper/fiber cabling is already installed, terminated, and tested? Please clarify AP mounting heights, lift requirements, and whether vendors must remove existing equipment. 6. Please define the configuration, migration, testing, documentation, and training requirements, along with the installation schedule, permitted work hours, and completion deadline. 7. Is subcontracting installation/configuration permitted? Are manufacturer authorization, specific certifications, references, or a site visit required? 8. Please provide any additional district contract terms, insurance or bonding requirements, and payment/acceptance terms applicable to this project. Thank you,

Answer:

1. Yes. C1 and C2 are separate. Vendors may bid C2 only.

2. Vertiv Liebert GXT, online double-conversion, rack/tower. Of the 22 units: 18 need L6-30P input / L6-30R output; 4 need standard 120V models. Size for eligible network gear in the closets. No external battery modules. Goal is power conditioning, not runtime. NMC / IntelliSlot preferred. Do not lock a single SKU.

3. Optics should be 10 Gb single-mode across the board (backhaul and stacking). Bid the qty needed for the listed ICX switch BOM; 180 on the 470 is the planning number. Include compatible stacking / DAC as needed for that design.

4. Access points: Ruckus R670 / AP670, prior SKU 901-R670-US00 or current equivalent, qty 120. Include 5-year vSZ AP management licenses (prior CLD-BNDL-SZWA-REC5 or equivalent) and 5-year switch licenses as shown on the 470. Must join our existing Ruckus virtual SmartZone (vSZ) version 7.2.0.0.243. Do not bid a replacement wireless controller.

5. Single campus: Creekside High School (new). Work is across 18 MDF/IDF closets. Equipment quantities as listed on the 470/IFCB. "No Drops" means copper/fiber cabling is already installed, terminated, and tested; cabling plant is not in scope. Floor plans are not posted with this Q&A.

6. District will handle configuration. Vendor professional services are physical install only: racking, stacking, and mounting. Schedule and work hours to be coordinated after award with district IT ahead of campus opening.

7. Subcontracting of physical install is permitted if disclosed in the bid; the prime remains responsible. Manufacturer authorization for Ruckus/Vertiv is preferred but not a hard DQ beyond IFCB terms. No mandatory certifications or references beyond CRW/IFCB requirements. No site visit / walkthrough during bidding (posted NO).

8. No additional district contract terms beyond the CRW IFCB terms and conditions.

The address 4033 FM 1660, Hutto TX 78634 drops in a neighborhood. Could you possibly provide the coordinates of the school site where the internet will need to be delivered?

Answer:

The delivery location at 4033 FM 1660 is at these coordinates:

30°35'12.2"N 97°32'36.7"W
(30.586722, -97.543528)

What are the contract terms being requested for the internet services?

Answer:

We're looking for a 5 year contract term for the internet services.

The IFCB lists "Ruckus ICX 8200-48Z (multi-gig) with 5-year licenses." There is no ICX 8200-48Z model; the 48-port multi-gig model in the ICX 8200 family is the ICX8200-48ZP2. Please confirm ICX8200-48ZP2 is the intended model. The Q&A references "5-year switch licenses as shown on the 470." Please clarify whether this means 5-year manufacturer support/WatchDog, vSZ switch management licenses, or both, and provide prior SKU(s) if available. Thank you.

Answer:

Models: Yes, that should be the ICX8200-48ZP2 (multigig). We'll need a mix of multigig and standard 1G switches. For reference, our last order was ICX8200-48ZP2-E2 for multigig and ICX8200-48PF2-E for the non-multigig switches.

Licenses: "5-year switch licenses" means the vSZ ICX management license with support, for a 5 year total support term. We don't need a separate WatchDog SKU. Prior SKUs were:
- LE9-8200Z-SGX5 (SZ ICX MGT LIC W/SPT 8200Z 2YR EXT ERATE) for the 48ZP2
- LE9-8200-SGX5 (SZ ICX MGT LIC W/SPT 8200 2YR EXT ERATE) for the 48PF2

The switches will be managed by our existing vSZ (7.2.0.0.243).

Follow-up to prior answer regarding switch models: For the 27 non-multigig access switches, should vendors bid the ICX8200-48P as listed on the IFCB, or the ICX8200-48PF2-E referenced as the district's prior order? For the 19 ICX8200-48ZP2, should vendors bid the single power supply (-E) or dual power supply (-E2) configuration? Thank you.

Answer:

Non-multigig (27): Bid the ICX8200-48PF2-E, not the ICX8200-48P listed on the IFCB.

Multigig (19 ICX8200-48ZP2): Bid the dual power supply configuration.

I am seeing two different addresses in the RFP – one to 303 CR 137, Hutto, TX 78634 and the other to 4033 FM 1660, Hutto TX 78634. Would you please clarify if this school is wanting pricing to both locations or just to one of them? If just to a certain location, please specify which one.

Answer:

We use both internet connections district-wide, at 303 CR 137 and 4033 FM 1660. Bids are welcome for either location or both.