Universal Service Administrative Co.

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

Form 470 Application Number: 270002818
FY27 St Francis Cat 2

Billed Entity
SAINT FRANCIS UN SCH DIST 297
100 COLLEGE STREET SAINT FRANCIS, KS 67756
CHEYENNE
785-332-8182
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Billed Entity Number: 138142
FCC Registration Number: 0005598610

Contact Information
Traci Taylor
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Number of Eligible Entities: 3

Application Type
Applicant Type: School District
Recipients of Services: Public School; Public School District

Consulting Firms

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
Southwest Plains Regional Service Center	16062590	620-675-8804	traci.taylor@swplains.org

Consultants

Name	Phone Number	Email
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RFPS

ID	Name
235999	FY27 St Francis Cat 2 Form 470 RFP ACD

Category One Service Requests

Service Type	Function	Function Other Description	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs

Description of Other Functions

ID	Name

Narrative

Category Two Service Requests

Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Other Description	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Internal Connections	Switches and Necessary Software and Licenses	Ruckus or equivalent			3	Each	Yes	235999
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Switches	Ruckus		2	3	Each		235999

Description of Other Manufacturers

ID	Name

Narrative
USD 297 requests the following: Quantity 3 - Ruckus ICX8200-48ZP2 switches with 3yr ICX8200-PREM-LIC or equivalents

Technical Contact

Mack Elliot

Tech Director

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State and Local Procurement Restrictions

Bidding Instructions & Terms
Submission Method: All proposal responses must be submitted via email to the primary contact at traci.taylor@swplains.org.
Submission Deadline: Responses must be received prior to the Allowable Contract Date specified on the Form 470. November 26, 2026 11:59 PM

Itemized Pricing: Proposals must include detailed, line-item pricing compatible with E-Rate Item 21 requirements, clearly separating E-Rate eligible costs from any non-eligible services or equipment. Note: The vendor is responsible for checking the USF Eligible Services List for updates and corrections before submitting bids/quotations. All offered equipment must be brand new; refurbished or remanufactured items will not be accepted.Bidders must hold active authorized reseller status from the manufacturer.
Taxes and Fees: Bids must include estimated line items for applicable taxes, surcharges, and regulatory fees to reflect true total cost.
Installation & Start-Up: All one-time installation, activation, or initial construction costs must be explicitly itemized. 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.
Contract Options: Multi-year contracts and voluntary contract extension options will be considered.
Lowest Comparable Price (LCP): Service providers must comply with USAC rules regarding Lowest Comparable Price.
Evaluation & Selection: In accordance with E-Rate rules, the cost of E-Rate eligible services will be the primary factor in bid evaluation. Other evaluation factors may include technical merit, vendor references, prior experience with vendors, location of vendor in relation to providing support, and quality of proposal.
Invoicing: Service providers must be willing to cooperate with standard USAC invoicing processes (SPI or BEAR). The bidder must agree to provide the applicant with the choice of discount methods (SPI or BEAR). The district prefers SPI method when possible.
Scope of Work: The district reserves the right to modify requested bandwidth quantities or decline optional installation services prior to contract execution. The bidder may provide bids for any or all portions of this proposal. The applicant reserves the right to purchase all, none, or a portion of the quoted equipment/services and may choose more than one provider for one type of service.
Disqualification Criteria:
Bids received after the Allowable Contract Date.
Generic marketing materials or blanket service listings that do not directly address the specifications outlined in this RFP / Form 470.
Automated spam or robotic bid submissions.
Proposals failing to separate eligible and ineligible costs.
The bidder must be in good standing with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and not have a Red Light status. If there is a Red Light status, the contract will become null and void without penalty to the applicant.
Board Approval & Funding: Final purchase commitments are contingent upon district School Board approval and receipt of an E-Rate Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL). All bids must be submitted with the understanding that implementation may be dependent upon the following: (i) Final approval of next year's fiscal budget; (ii) Contract confirmation by next year's board of education; (iii) Award of associated E-Rate funding; (iv) terms and provisions of the Kansas Cash Basis Law K.S.A 10-1101.

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
138142	SAINT FRANCIS UN SCH DIST 297

Certifications

I certify that the applicant includes:

I certify that the applicant includes schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801 (18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding $50 million.

Other Certifications

I certify that this FCC Form 470 and any applicable RFP will be available for review by potential bidders for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted will be carefully considered and the bid

selected will be for the most cost-effective service or equipment offering, with price being the primary factor, and will be the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology goals.

I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the time of this certification) after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the service delivery deadline for the associated funding request. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the form for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program.

I certify that I have reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that I have complied with them. I acknowledge that persons willfully making false statements on this form may be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program.

I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes, see 47 C.F.R. § 54.500, and will not be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.513. Additionally, I certify that the entity or entities listed on this form have not received anything of value or a promise of anything of value, other than services and equipment sought by means of this form, from the service provider, or any representative or agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for services.

I acknowledge that support under this support mechanism is conditional upon the school(s) and/or library(ies) I represent securing access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that I have considered what financial resources should be available to cover these costs. I certify that I am authorized to procure eligible services for the eligible entity(ies). I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this form, that I have examined this request, and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

NOTICE:

In accordance with Section 54.503 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, certain schools and libraries ordering services that are eligible for and seeking universal service discounts must file this Description of Services Requested and Certification Form (FCC Form 470) with the Universal Service Administrator. 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. The collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. 47 U.S.C. § 254. The data in the report will be used to ensure that schools and libraries comply with the competitive bidding requirement contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. Schools and libraries must file this form themselves or as part of a consortium.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information requested in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether you have complied with the competitive bidding requirements applicable to requests for universal service discounts. If we believe there may be a violation or a potential violation of any applicable statute, regulation, rule or order, the information you provide in this form may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information

you provide in this form may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government is a party of a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding. In addition, information provided in or submitted with this form, or in response to subsequent inquiries, may also be subject to disclosure consistent with the Communications Act of 1934, FCC regulations, the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, or other applicable law.

If you owe a past due debt to the federal government, the information you provide in this form may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federal agencies and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund or other payments to collect that debt. The FCC may also provide the information to these agencies through the matching of computer records when authorized.

If you do not provide the information we request on the form, the FCC or Universal Service Administrator may return your form without action or deny a related request for universal service discounts.

The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

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Authorized Person

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Certified Timestamp

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