Universal Service Administrative Co.

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

Form 470 Application Number: 270002880
Caddo RFP 02 27 Network Electronics Cat 2

Billed Entity
CADDO PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT
1961 MIDWAY ST SHREVEPORT, LA 71108 CADDO
318-603-6397

Billed Entity Number: 139307
FCC Registration Number: 0011730231

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Number of Eligible Entities: 59

Application Type
Applicant Type: School District
Recipients of Services: Charter School; Pre-K; Public School; Public School District

Consulting Firms

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
Education Partners Solution, Inc.	16043584	281-494-0187	gifford@eps4.com

Consultants

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RFPS

ID	Name
235946	RFP 02 27 NETWORK ELECTRONICS
236869	ADDENDUM 1 RFP 02 27 NETWORK ELECTRONICS
236870	ADDENDUM 2 RFP 02 27

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	Wireless Access Points and Necessary Software and Licenses	Cisco Systems or equivalent			2500	Each	Yes	235946, 236869, 236870
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Wireless Access Points	Cisco Systems		60	2500	Each		235946, 236869, 236870
Internal Connections	Switches and Necessary Software and Licenses	Cisco Systems or equivalent			175	Each	Yes	235946, 236869, 236870
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	Switches	Cisco Systems		60	175	Each		235946, 236869, 236870
Internal Connections	Antennas, Connectors, and Related Components	Cisco Systems or equivalent		60	2500	Each	Yes	235946, 236869, 236870

Description of Other Manufacturers

ID	Name

Narrative
Caddo Parish School District (BEN 139307) requests competitive proposals for E-Rate Funding Year 2027 Category Two network electronics, associated software and licensing, installation, and eligible maintenance services, as described in RFP 02-27 Network Electronics and its attachments. The District seeks approximately 2,500 wireless access points with associated five-year licensing, approximately 175 48-port PoE network switches with associated network modules, power supplies, stacking components, optical transceivers, software licensing, and related accessories, or functionally equivalent products meeting the RFP requirements. The solicitation also includes eligible manufacturer maintenance and support for designated existing and proposed network equipment, subject to the specifications and eligibility allocations in the RFP.

Installation services may include equipment removal and replacement, rack mounting, installation of components, transfer and management of existing cabling, and verification of equipment operation and connectivity.

The District anticipates phased purchases under an initial one-year contract with two optional one-year renewals. All quantities are estimates, and no minimum purchase is guaranteed. Vendors must provide itemized pricing and separately identify E-Rate-eligible and ineligible costs.

All proposals must comply with RFP 02-27, including its bid submission instructions, deadlines, technical specifications, evaluation criteria, and contractual conditions. The actual RFP and all applicable attachments are incorporated into this request.

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State and Local Procurement Restrictions

All proposals shall be submitted to the PURCHASING OFFICE, CADDO PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, 1961 MIDWAY STREET, SHREVEPORT, LA, 71108 or mailed to the PURCHASING OFFICE, CADDO PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, 1961 MIDWAY STREET, SHREVEPORT, LA, 71108 or submitted electronically at www.bidexpress.com . For all of the items/services listed in this Request for Proposal, please consider services that are equivalent, more or less in quantity, better and/or more cost effective when submitting proposals. All contracts are contingent upon funding by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Services Administrative Company (USAC) unless otherwise agreed upon by district. All pricing provided in the proposal should be in accordance with the Lowest Corresponding Price rule. Proposers should separate the cost of eligible services/ products from noneligible services/products and clearly indicate this separation on the proposal. Proposer must be in good standing with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and does 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. Proposers will be held responsible for complying with all E-Rate program rules. No gifts shall be offered or accepted by the applicant at any time. All bids requiring contracts should include the option for voluntary extensions. Cooperative Purchasing Agreements are acceptable.

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
139307	CADDO PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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.

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