RFP 270003500 - Covington ISD

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11/13/2026 10:00:00 AM CST

Bid Criteria

Purchasing decisions will be based on the following criteria:

Criteria	Points
Price of Eligible service/product	30
Reputation of vendor	20
Quality of vendor's services/products	10
Meets applicant's needs	15
Past relationship with vendor	20
Long-term cost to applicant	5

RFP Requirements

Addendum #1: (11/13/2026) The Q&A for this RFP has closed and the final Q&A transcript has been uploaded into EPC as of **11/13/2026**.

All proposals need to be submitted through this system to be accepted. No phone calls concerning this application will be accepted. All communication about this RFP will only be provided via the Q&A section of this RFP in which questions and answers will be posted publicly. Responses received after the stated deadline may be deemed non-responsive. All vendors must comply with Texas Education Agency Financial Accountability Guidelines found in Module 5: Purchasing.

Specific Requirements:

- All proposals should be received by the Bid Close Date. Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received after this Close Date may not be considered unless it is determined that an untimely submission was due to circumstances beyond the vendors control, a consideration of the offer would be in the best interest of the applicant, or the offer is the only proposal received.
- For all of the items/services listed in this Request for Proposal, please consider services that are equivalent, more/less in quantity, better and/or more cost effective when submitting proposals.
- If installation is requested, then installation must be included with the equipment and/or service requested. Otherwise, the bid may be considered non-responsive.
- All equipment on this request is for owned equipment. Unless otherwise stated, any leased equipment responses may be deemed non-responsive.
- In the event that no bids are received in a certain service category, we may solicit cost-effective bids after the Bid Close Date.
- If special construction charges apply, please include the option for installment payments of up to 4 years for the applicants non-discounted share.

- 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.
- Service providers may include contingency fees in their bid responses if they deem it a necessary item and the fees are reasonable and a regular business practice. These fees should be included based on the situation/circumstances to provide the service/products. These charges should be separate from any other charges and clearly listed in the proposal. The fees will only be paid if the service/products are completed.
- Proposers should separate the cost of eligible services/products from non-eligible services/products and clearly indicate this separation on the proposal.
- When Software and Licenses are requested, Proposer should identify if it is a Managed License or Internal Connections.
- 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 submitted bids should include contracts and the contracts should also include the option for voluntary extensions unless they are month to month services.
- Submitted bids should include scalability of bandwidth during the terms of the contract.
- A manufacturer's multi-year warranty for a period up to three years that is provided as an integral part of an eligible component, without a separately identifiable cost, may be included in the cost of the component.

Requested Services and/or Equipment

Internal Connections

Function	Mfg or Equivalent	Model	Quantity	Unit	Install & Config	Campus
Racks & All Related Components	Tripp Lite or Equivalent	SmartRack 12U Low-Profile Wall-Mount (SRW12US)	5	Each	Yes	Multiple Locations
Approximately (5) or more Eaton Tripp Lite Series SmartRack 12U Low-Profile Switch-Depth Wall-Mount Small Rack Enclosure (SRW12US) or equivalent Racks and all related components including installation and configuration for the following locations: (4) or more racks for Covington School, and (1) or more racks for Covington Stadium Annex.						
UPS, Components, and Software & Licenses	APC or Equivalent	Smart-UPS X, 1500VA (SMX1500RM2UCNC)	4	Each	Yes	Covington School
Approximately (4) or more APC Smart-UPS X, Line Interactive, 1500VA, Rack/tower convertible 2U, 120V, 8x 5-15R NEMA, SmartConnect port+NMC (SMX1500RM2UCNC) UPS/Battery Backups or equivalent and all related components including installation and configuration and software and licenses for Covington School. If equivalent equipment is quoted, please include both rack mounted and freestanding options with a 3yr manufacturer's warranty or better.						
UPS, Components, and Software & Licenses	APC or Equivalent	1500VA 1U Smart-UPS (SMT1500RM1UC)	5	Each	Yes	Multiple Locations
Approximately (5) or more APC 1500VA 1U Smart-UPS Line Interactive (SMT1500RM1UC) UPS/Battery Backups or equivalent and all related components including installation and configuration and software and licenses for the following locations (4) more or less UPS for Covington School; (1) more or less UPS for Covington Stadium Annex. If equivalent equipment is quoted, please include both rack mounted and freestanding options with a 3yr manufacturer's warranty or better.						

Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections

Function	Manufacturer	Install & Config	Quantity	Support Hours	Campus

Function	Manufacturer	Install & Config	Quantity	Support Hours	Campus
Software & licenses - UPS	APC or Equivalent	No	9	0.00	Multiple Locations
Software and licenses supporting all relevant components requested used to distribute high-speed broadband throughout school buildings. Connections.					

Locations

DMARC?	Name	Address
Yes	Covington School	501 North Main St Covington, TX 76636-
No	Covington Stadium Annex	195 HCR 4109 Covington, TX 76636

Additional Information

RFP Q&A

Chrome Tech is reviewing RFP 270003500 and requests clarification on the following: 1. Are the five network racks replacing existing enclosures, or will they be installed in new locations? If replacing existing racks, is equipment relocation and recabling required? 2. For the nine UPS units, will the district provide existing compatible electrical outlets, or should vendors account for any electrical modifications separately? 3. Is a site survey available or recommended before proposal submission to confirm mounting locations, rack dimensions, existing equipment, and installation requirements? Thank you for the clarification. Chrome Tech asked on 11/9/2026 6:36:18 PM by CHROME TECH LLC	1. Replacing existing. 2. Replacing existing; outlets are in place. 3. No site survey will be available prior to proposal submission; please submit your most comprehensive and competitive bid fully aligned with the requirements and equipment specifications outlined in the RFP.

Attachments

There are no attachments.