Mt. Diablo Unified School District
BEN 144178
Category 1 Specifications

Form 470 # 270003606

All bids must be submitted to bids@erateconsulting.com
by 11:59 p.m. PST on December 12, 2026.

Requirements/Preferences:

(1) You **must** submit your proposal in electronic format to bids@erateconsulting.com. Adherence to this requirement is your responsibility and cannot be imputed to the Applicant. Do NOT send proposals to any other contacts.

(2) You **must** include your standard contract terms and conditions with your submission. Failure to do so will result in your bid being incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(3) SPAM and robotic bids not reasonably tailored to the Applicant's service request(s) shall be deemed non-responsive and disqualified.

(4) In your email submission, the subject line **must** specifically reference the Applicant and the applicable Form 470#.

(5) At the time of your bid submission, you **must** have a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN). Lacking a valid SPIN at the time of submission will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(6) If your proposed solution is comprised of services available through a State Master Contract or some other cooperative purchasing arrangement recognized by the State of California, you **must** provide a specific reference to the contracting arrangement and, where applicable, the contract number.

(7) Vendors should have prior experience delivering their proposed solution(s) to public school districts. References must be provided upon request.

(8) Your proposed monthly recurring cost(s) (MRCs) **must** include all taxes, fees, and additional eligible charges (if any). You proposed MRC shall be deemed final for bid evaluation purposes. Once the bid submission deadline has passed, service providers may not amend their proposed MRC(s). Failure to incorporate any taxes, fees, or other additional eligible charges in your proposed MRC shall preclude any subsequent modifications to the MRC(s) without the district's prior written consent to said modification. **By submitting a proposal in response to this Form 470, you agree to be bound by this requirement.**

(9) Proposals encompassing multiple Category One services **must** include an itemization of all proposed monthly recurring charges, inclusive of all taxes, fees, and additional eligible charges (if any). Failure to do so will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(10) Proposals should include all one-time, non-recurring charges. Failure to include such charges in your submission will be deemed a waiver of the right to collect any such costs prior to or during the implementation process.

(11) All proposals must conform to the applicable provisions of California State Law and Board of Education policies and regulations.

(12) Provide a current W-9 and valid registration to conduct business in California with your submission. Failure to do so will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(13) The Applicant intends to award a 36-month term of service but will evaluate other proposed term(s) that meet its requirements. If proposing a 36-month term, the Agreement should provide for **two one-year extensions** on the same terms and conditions.

(14) By submitting a bid in response to this Form 470, you are certifying that your Company is in compliance with FCC Order FCC 19-121, which bars the use of USF subsidies to fund equipment, components, and services from "covered" companies deemed to be a national security risk.

(15) There is no Attachment A (Internet) for this Form 470.

(16) For Attachment B (WAN Services), you must provide a projected service start date, taking into account any necessary construction timeline estimates. **Failure to indicate the service start date in Attachment B will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes relative to that service.**

(17) If the incumbent vendor does not respond to this Form 470, then the Applicant reserves the right to use the incumbent vendor's current pricing in its evaluation.

(18) The Applicant reserves the right to consider in its evaluation any eligible services that are available by way of State Contract and/or State-approved cooperatives.

(19) Do NOT bundle the costs of any ineligible services into the monthly recurring costs of eligible services unless otherwise necessary under Program rules. When a bundled C1 solution is proposed, you must specifically identify the separate costs of all bundled services. Failure to abide by this request may jeopardize the applicant's E-rate funding and will impact the bid evaluation.

(20) Please have an authorized company representative print, sign and date this document and submit along with your bid to indicate that you have read, considered, and understand each of these requirements. **Failure to submit this document with an authorized representative's signature will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.**

WAN Services (Attachment B)

- The Applicant will consider all proposals for cost effective solutions that meet its technical requirements.
- If your proposed solution requires an aggregation circuit at the hub site(s), please

include the monthly cost of that collector in Attachment B, along with any related one-time charges.

- Hub site and satellite site addresses can be found in Attachment B.
- The Applicant seeks pricing for burstable bandwidth up to 10Gbps at each site.
- The Applicant will consider solutions other than its current topology, but your Proposal must include specific detailed information about how the network will function and include any special construction or one-time fees associated with deployment. Failure to specifically include these costs or to indicate that no such costs apply will result in your proposal being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.
- You may modify Attachment B as necessary in order to incorporate all available bandwidth increments and corresponding costs. Alternatively, you may submit a price list consisting of same with your Proposal so long as it clearly explains any and all eligible and ineligible costs associated with each option, inclusive of taxes and fees.

The service provider shall be expected to provide proactive monitoring of all contracted WAN circuits and provider-managed equipment 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including weekends and holidays. Monitoring shall detect service outages and performance degradation, including excessive latency, packet loss, and reduced throughput. The provider shall automatically open a trouble ticket upon detection, notify designated District contacts by email and text message within one (1) hour, and initiate troubleshooting without requiring the District to report the issue. The provider shall maintain a 24/7 staffed support number, provide hourly status updates during outages until service is restored, and provide the District access to circuit status, performance reports, and incident history. All associated monitoring and notification costs shall be included and clearly identified in the proposal. If such monitoring is not a part of your standard service offering and comes with an additional cost, please modify Attachment B as necessary to clearly incorporate the service description and associated cost(s).

If other than July 1, 2027, you must specify your proposed service start date in Attachment B. Failure to do so will cause the district to reasonably conclude that service can begin on July 1, 2027. If that turns out to not be the case, then the district reserves the right to terminate the agreement with no penalty.

Please print your name, sign, and date to indicate that you have read the above requirements, that you understand them, and that your proposal complies will all requirements. Failure to do so will result in your bid being deemed incomplete.

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Vendor Representative Name

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Vendor Representative Signature

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Date