Universal Service Administrative Co.

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

Form 470 Application Number: 270003748
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Billed Entity

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2644 RIVA ROAD ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401-7305 ANNE ARUNDEL
410-222-5331
ssandler@aacps.org

Billed Entity Number: 126392
FCC Registration Number: 0011835683

Contact Information

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Number of Eligible Entities: 131

Application Type

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

Consulting Firms

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
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Consultants

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RFPS

ID	Name

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	Firewall Service, Components, and Necessary Software and Licenses	Other or equivalent	1		200003	Each	Yes	

Description of Other Manufacturers

ID	Name
1	iboss or equivalent

Narrative

Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) is seeking proposals for the following products. These products are known to meet the needs and specifications of AACPS and are compatible with the existing network infrastructure. In accordance with E-Rate program rules, AACPS will accept and consider proposals for equivalent products. If proposing equivalent products, your proposal MUST include documentation comparing the features and specifications of the products listed below to your proposed products. Proposals for equivalent products that do not include this documentation will be disqualified.

iboss IB-ZT-COMPLETE-FWaaS-1Y - Qty 100,000
iboss IB-60000GBCS-FWaaS-EDU-1YR - Qty 1
iboss Content Filtering Add-On for FWaaS-1Y - Qty 100.000
iboss - Zero Trust Add On - BI-30 - 1YR - Qty 1
iboss - Mission critical support - 1YR - Qty 1

Evaluation of proposals

The price of the eligible products and services will be given primary consideration in compliance with E-Rate program rules. Consideration will also be given to vendors providing the proposed products as follows:
- Proposed under a state, cooperative, or other procurement vehicle that may be utilized by AACPS, valid through at least 6/30/2028.
- Proposed products' seamless integration and implementation into the existing AACPS network environment.
- Vendor's experience with AACPS.

- Cost of ineligible goods and services that are proposed.
- Vendor has an E-Rate Program SPIN number.

- All proposals and/or questions should reference the Form 470 number and should be submitted via EMAIL (no phone calls) to the Technical Contact listed on this Form 470 and 470@erateelite.com.
** The deadline to submit questions is 11:00 AM Eastern Standard Time on November 12, 2026. No other questions will be addressed after this deadline.
*** The deadline to submit proposals is 10:00 AM Eastern Standard Time on December 11, 2026, unless extended via Notification uploaded to this Form 470 in USAC's EPC portal.
- All proposals must include the Manufacturer and full SKU, Product Number, Model Number, etc., of the proposed products. If awarded a contract or legally binding agreement, vendor will be required to provide the exact make and model of the proposed products, unless a substitution is approved by AACPS.
- All proposals should include a copy of a contract or legally binding agreement for the proposed products that is compliant with E-Rate program rules and regulations.
- All proposals must identify the specific products that pertain to the service request(s) listed on the Form 470. Proposals that include an encyclopedic list of all a service provider's products, and do not identify the specific products being proposed in response to this Form 470 may be disqualified.
- At the time of proposal submission, all service providers should have a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN), or be able to provide documentation showing that they have begun the process of obtaining a SPIN from USAC. Lacking a valid SPIN, or documentation showing that the process of obtaining one has begun, at the time of submission may result in disqualification.
- As required by E-Rate rules, all bids in response to this Form 470 must offer the Lowest Corresponding Price (LCP). See USAC's website at https://www.usac.org/e-rate/service-providers/step-2-responding-to-bids/lowest-corresponding-price/ for additional information.
- Any offering of free services must be clearly identified in service providers' proposals and must be compliant with USAC's Free Services Advisory.
- This request is for a fully operational solution and should include all necessary licenses, cables, connectors, antennas, and other related components. It should be noted that all quantities are approximate, and the District reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities based on the needs of the project.

Technical Contact

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State and Local Procurement Restrictions

Please refer to the Category Two Narrative.

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
126392	ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, completing, and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the reporting burden to the Federal Communications Commission, Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Washington, DC 20554. We also will accept your comments via the email if you send them to PRA@FCC.gov. DO NOT SEND COMPLETED WORKSHEETS TO THESE ADDRESSES.

Authorized Person

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Certified Timestamp

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