Universal Service Administrative Co.

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

Form 470 Application Number: 270004123
PalmBeachCo470FY2027C1-Internet

Billed Entity

PALM BEACH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
3300 FOREST HILL BLVD WEST PALM BCH, FL
33406-5813 PALM BEACH
561-434-8000

Billed Entity Number: 127754
FCC Registration Number: 0011794237

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Number of Eligible Entities: 203

Application Type

Applicant Type: School District
Recipients of Services: Adult Education; Juvenile Justice; New Construction School; Pre-K; Public School; Public School District

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RFPS

ID	Name
238123	27C_24J_Additional Information
238124	27C_24J_Bid Summary
238125	27C_24J_Special Conditions
238126	E_RATE SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS_FY2027
238127	General Conditions_updated_11022026

Category One Service Requests

Service Type	Function	Function Other Description	Minimum Capacity	Maximum Capacity	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	Standalone Internet Access Service		50 Gbps	100 Gbps	200			Yes	238123, 238124, 238125, 238126, 238127

Description of Other Functions

ID	Name

Narrative
The School District of Palm Beach County ("District") is seeking competitive proposals for Category 1 Internet Access delivering two (2) separate, high-capacity, path-diverse Internet connections. The service must deliver 50 Gbps base bandwidth (scalable on-demand up to 100 Gbps) to each of the districts two core Data Center facilities: Circuit 1 Fulton-Holland Data Center (FH DC): Fulton-Holland Educational Services Center at 3300 Forest Hill Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33406. Circuit 2 SITV Data Center: 505 South Congress Avenue, Boynton Beach, FL 33426. The specifications on this Form 470 are estimates. All details on specifications, bandwidths, requirements, and terms are outlined in Solicitation No. 27C-24J Internet Services E-Rate. There is a copy of the Solicitation submitted with this Form 470 on USAC's

website. However, the original RFP and all prevailing documents, including addenda, are posted at the district website at the following https://www.bidnetdirect.com/palmbeachschools/solicitations/open-bids/Internet-Services-E-Rate/0000443985?origin=0

From the time this solicitation is posted until the time a Decision or Intended Decision is posted, potential Proposers and employees, representatives, partners, director, officers, or other individuals acting on behalf of the Proposer, shall be prohibited from lobbying any School District employee, Member of the School Board, Member of a School District Advisory Committee that may evaluate the awarded contract, or person selected to evaluate or recommend selection of the awarded Proposer. Violation of the Cone of Silence shall result in rejection/disqualification of the Proposer from award of a contract arising out of this solicitation. Further, in order to protect the integrity of the award process, all questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted via Bidnet Direct no later than 5:00 p.m. EST, on December 7, 2026. Questions received via Bidnet Direct by the time and date specified will be answered in writing and posted on Bidnet Direct. Justin Jaksa is authorized only to direct the attention of prospective proposers to various portions of the Bid so that they may read and interpret such for themselves. Neither Justin Jaksa nor any employee of the District is authorized to interpret any portion of this Bid or give information as to the requirements of the Bid in addition to that contained in the written documents.

All questions regarding this solicitation received via bidnetdirect.com by the time and date specified will be answered in writing and posted on bidnetdirect.com and as part of the FCC Form 470 posting in the E-Rate Productivity Center portal.

Category Two Service Requests

Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Manufacturer Other Description	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Installation and Initial Configuration?	Associated RFPs

Description of Other Manufacturers

ID	Name

Narrative

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Purchase Agent

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State and Local Procurement Restrictions

Applicant may consider multi-year contracts and/or contracts containing voluntary extension options. Any voluntary extension option must be stated in the awarded contract and must specify the number and duration of the available extensions. Automatic or evergreen renewal terms will not be accepted by the Applicant. For all Internet Access and WAN contracts, the original contract must include any available options to increase bandwidth or service speeds, together with the corresponding pricing or a clearly defined pricing methodology. Any subsequent amendment must remain within the scope and terms established by the original competitively bid contract and may not introduce new speeds, pricing, services, or other material terms that were not included in the original agreement. Applicant may also consider contracts with flexible terms that allow services, sites, users, quantities,

and/or bandwidth to increase or decrease during the contract term, subject to applicable E-Rate program rules and state and local procurement requirements. Service Providers submitting proposals in response to this FCC Form 470 must comply with all applicable Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules and orders, Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) requirements, and applicable state and local procurement laws. Failure to comply may result in denial or recovery of E-Rate funding and other enforcement action. Service Providers must comply with the Lowest Corresponding Price (LCP) requirements in 47 CFR Sections 54.500 and 54.511(b). A Service Provider may not submit a bid for or charge the Applicant a price above the lowest price the Service Provider charges similarly situated non-residential customers for similar services, unless an applicable exception has been authorized. Service Providers must comply with USAC's Free Services Advisory. All discounts, promotional offers, rebates, credits, and free products or services associated with a proposal must be clearly disclosed and properly allocated. Their value must be deducted from the pre-discount price when required, and no arrangement may directly or indirectly reduce the Applicant's required non-discount share or shift the cost of ineligible or unrequested products or services to E-Rate-funded items.During the USAC Form 471 application process, the Applicant will select the applicable invoicing method in accordance with E-Rate program requirements. For Service Provider Invoicing (SPI), the Service Provider must timely submit invoices to USAC for the discounted share and must first bill the Applicant for the non-discounted share and any ineligible costs. For Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR), the Applicant must pay the Service Provider in full before seeking reimbursement. All parties must comply with the applicable Invoice Deadline Date under 47 CFR Section 54.514, including any timely requested extension, rather than relying on a single deadline measured only from the last day of service. Pricing and technology infrastructure information submitted as part of an FCC Form 471 will be treated as public and non-confidential in accordance with 47 CFR Section 54.504(a)(2), unless a valid statute, rule, court order, or other applicable restriction bars public disclosure. Contracts and agreements executed after the adoption of that rule may not prohibit disclosure of pricing or technology infrastructure information, and the exception for an existing contract limitation does not apply to voluntary extensions or renewals. This language is provided as a compliance review and guide, not as legal advice

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
127754	PALM BEACH COUNTY 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.

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

Amy Haines

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Certified Timestamp

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