Lakewood Local School District

FY2027 E-Rate Category 1 – Internet Access Request

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

1. Category One Narrative

Lakewood Local School District is requesting proposals for dedicated, symmetrical Internet Access Services delivered over fiber-optic connections at three locations for E-Rate Funding Year 2027.

All proposed services must provide dedicated bandwidth with equal upload and download speeds. The district requests pricing for the bandwidth tiers identified below and reserves the right to select any offered speed within the specified ranges.

2. Service Locations and Bandwidth Requirements

Site	Locations Served	Current Speed	Requested Pricing Tiers
Site 1 Main Internet	Lakewood High School, Lakewood Middle School, Jackson Intermediate School, Lakewood Elementary School	1 Gbps	1, 2, 5, 10 Gbps
Site 2 District Office	District Office	500 Mbps	500 Mbps, 1 Gbps, 2 Gbps
Site 3 Bus Garage	Bus Garage	50 Mbps	100 Mbps, 250 Mbps, 500 Mbps, 1 Gbps

3. Contract Terms and Proposal Requirements

1. **Contract Terms:** Vendors must provide pricing for both three-year and five-year service agreements.
2. **Bandwidth Upgrades:** Contracts must permit bandwidth upgrades throughout the agreement, up to the maximum requested capacity for each site, without extending or restarting the original contract term.
3. **Pricing:** Proposals must include predetermined pricing for each requested bandwidth tier, monthly recurring charges, one-time installation and configuration costs, applicable taxes and fees, and any future upgrade charges.
4. **Additional Charges:** Vendors must identify any scheduled price increases, early termination charges, or other applicable fees.
5. **E-Rate Billing:** Vendors must indicate their willingness to provide discounted billing through the E-Rate Service Provider Invoice (SPI) process.
6. **Proposal Deadline:** All proposals must be received no later than **9:00 AM Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, December 31, 2026**, subject to the FCC Form 470 Allowable Contract Date.