Universal Service Administrative Co.

FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2027

Form 470 Application Number: 270005093
Sheldon ISD Internet Access RFP

Billed Entity

SHELDON INDEP SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Billed Entity Number: 141225
FCC Registration Number: 0011676418

Contact Information

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Number of Eligible Entities: 17

Application Type

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

Consulting Firms

Name	Consultant Registration Number	Phone Number	Email
VST Services LP	16043688	682-237-7670	RNeal@vstservices.com

Consultants

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RFPS

ID	Name
238032	Sheldon ISD 2027.07 IA RFP rev1b Final

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	Internet Access and Data Transmission Service		1 Gbps	25 Gbps	17	1	Each	Yes	238032

Description of Other Functions

ID	Name

Narrative

Sheldon Independent School District (Sheldon ISD, SISD or District) is accepting proposals from qualified Local Internet Access service providers to provide Dedicated Internet Access Services and Fiber Optic Transport Services. The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to provide a standard from which to evaluate your companys Dedicated Internet Access Services as they compare to other providers and as they pertain to the needs of our school district as defined in this document. Due to the increased utilization of the Internet by students, staff, and administration, this RFP is a request for a minimum of 1 Gbps and maximum of 20 Gbps Internet Access port and fiber optic-based transport from the service providers point of presence to Sheldon ISD locations as specified in Pricing Table(s) This RFP does not include any cabling or wiring modifications beyond the service providers point of demarcation. The district requires this service to be installed and available for service on the Service Start Date specified herein.
Deadline for Questions December 2, 2026 - 2:00 PM CT
Response to Questions December 4, 2026
Deadline for Submittal of Proposal December 18, 2026 - 2:00 PM CT
Contract/Service Start Date July 1, 2027

Range of Years: 1 - 4 Years

Payment Type: Annual

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

Technical Contact

State and Local Procurement Restrictions

All questions received and the corresponding answers will be available to all bidders. No verbal responses will be provided. The deadline for questions about this proposal is noted in the Timetable. The District will not respond to questions after this time and date. Although every effort has been made to provide accurate and up-to-date information, any questions regarding this RFP should be submitted in writing only to Andre Seals, Director Technology via e-mail to AndreSeals@sheldonisd.com. Response to questions will be posted in the form of an addendum to this RFP on the USAC website. Vendors are responsible for checking the USAC website for any posted addenda.
7. Deadline for Submittal: Responses to this RFP must be received via email by the date and time listed in the Timetable. Proposals received after this time and date will not be considered. The District is not responsible for unmarked or improperly marked proposals. The District is not responsible for proposals delivered after the scheduled deadline due to the external or internal mail system. The time and date of the email recorded by the recipient(s) shall be the official time of receipt. The District will not accept fax proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn at any time prior to the due date and time shown above. Proposals may not be altered, amended or withdrawn after the due date and time, without the approval of the District.
8. Proposal Submittal: Proposals must be submitted on the forms provided. Generic proposals will not be accepted. Proposals must be emailed to Andre Seals, Director Technology via email to AndreSeals@sheldonisd.com. One (1) electronic copy in a .docx or .pdf format attached to the response email is required. Responses must contain RFP# 2027.07 Sheldon ISD Dedicated Internet Access Services in the subject line and be plainly marked in the body of the email with the following::
Sheldon ISD RFP# 2027.07
Dedicated Internet Access Services

All vendors must follow state and local procurement rules.

Billed Entities

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
141225	SHELDON INDEP 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

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Certified Timestamp

11/18/2026 11:35 AM EST