

# Request for COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS

# RFCSP 2122.02-001 Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
February 4, 2022	1 <sup>st</sup> Advertisement / Issue Date
February 16, 2022	Last day to submit questions – 10:00 A.M. (CST)
February 18, 2022	Addendum posted by District to address questions
March 4, 2022	Deadline for submittals at 2:00 P.M. (CST)

\* The District will make every effort to adhere to this schedule; however, dates are subject to change. Any changes will be posted in the form of an addendum on the RISD website. Additional addendums may be posted at the discretion of RISD. Potential respondents are responsible for watching the website for such publications.

# **Deliver Sealed Responses to:**

Rockwall ISD Administration Building Purchasing Department 1050 Williams Street Rockwall, Texas 75087

# **Rockwall ISD Purchasing Department:**

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## NOTICE

The Rockwall Independent School District (RISD) is soliciting proposals for **Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade** per the specifications stated elsewhere in this solicitation document. A response to this solicitation is an offer to contract with Rockwall ISD and its members based on the specifications and standard terms and conditions contained in the bid document.

Respondents are cautioned to read this document completely and submit all documents. Each respondent, by submitting a response, represents that he/she has read and understands the proposal. Failure to examine the documents will be at the vendor's risk.

Respondents shall familiarize themselves with existing conditions in the material and labor markets prior to submission of an offer. The fact that an offer is submitted will be construed by the RISD Board of Trustees to indicate that the respondent agrees to carry out the furnishing of products and services in full accordance with the specifications and other contract documents not withstanding existing material and labor market conditions. A signed, submitted proposal constitutes an offer to perform the work and/or deliver the product(s) and/or services specified in the solicitation.

The vendor should propose his/her lowest and best price. All pricing information shall be entered on the proposal in ink or typewritten. Pricing should include packaging and transportation unless otherwise noted by the vendor.

If the vendor is awarded a contract under this solicitation, the prices proposed by the vendor shall remain fixed and firm during the term of the contract, provided, however that the vendor may offer incentive discounts from this fixed price to the District at any time during the contractual term.

Jana Hunter

**Director of Purchasing** 

February 4, 2022 Date



#### **DISTRICT OVERVIEW**

Rockwall ISD, situated in Rockwall County, Texas, comprises approximately two-thirds of the county's area and shares the county's boundary lines on the North, West and South. The eastern boundary of the district is an irregular line running through the town of Fate.

The District currently has 21 campuses comprised of 16 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 2 high schools, a College and Career Academy and an alternative school. The District currently serves approximately 18,000 students and employs approximately 2300 employees.

Rockwall ISD has grown by more than 3,000 over the last decade and is expected to grow by nearly 3,500 students by 2030.

Rockwall ISD's Call to Action: Rockwall ISD empowers learners to embody independence, value relationships, and achieve excellence as thriving members of a dynamic community.

We believe that:

- Collaborative relationships create a culture where learners thrive.
- An effective learning environment is collaborative, safe, challenging, and responsive to the diverse needs of all students.
- Learning is a partnership that engages all members of our community to empower empathetic and responsible citizens for success among themselves.
- All learners deserve to be challenged in preparation for lifelong learning and future success.

Core Values:

- Relationships
- Innovation
- Excellence



Additional information about Rockwall ISD can be obtained on its website: www.rockwallisd.com



#### CODE OF CONDUCT

Vendors and their suppliers, installers and all others working on Rockwall ISD facilities are required to understand and adhere to the following rules and responsibilities. Failure to comply with the following rules and responsibilities may result in a work's removal from the facilities and/or the termination of all subcontractor's contract. Vendors are responsible for the suppliers and installers adherence to these policies. All personnel working on RISD facilities will indicate their understanding and agreement to comply with these rules and responsibilities by submitting a response to this solicitation.

- 1. Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers who will be entering the district should check in with the Rockwall ISD designated representative.
- Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers must wear picture ID badges while on Rockwall ISD property.
- 3. The use of any tobacco products are prohibited on district property. These prohibited items include but are not limited to cigarettes, cigars, vapes and smokeless tobacco.
- 4. Drugs and alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- 5. The use of vulgar or improper language is prohibited.
- 6. Unacceptable behavior including physical or verbal intimidation, horseplay, or fighting by any individual on district property will result in immediate remove from property.
- School requirements may occasionally result in the untimely termination of a subcontractor's daily activities. Vendors are expected to anticipate and understand these circumstances and work with RISD to make-up any scheduling.
- 8. All contact with student is strictly prohibited.
- 9. Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers must be properly dressed in work attire which includes the use of proper work shoes and personal protection equipment (as needed).
- 10. Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers will promptly leave the premises at the end of each work shift or once business purpose has been served.
- 11. Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers will comply with all state and district rules regarding weapon free zones.
- 12. Vendor's employees, installers and suppliers shall submit such background information as may be requested by Rockwall ISD to perform criminal background evaluations/investigations.
- 13. No person who has charges pending or who has been convicted, received probation or deferred adjudication for the following shall be engaged to work on RISD property where students are present: Any offense against a child, any sex offense, any crimes against persons involving weapons or violence, any felony offense against property; or any offense that Rockwall ISD determines to compromise the safety and well-being of staff, students and/or property.



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#### STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following instructions by the Rockwall Independent School District are intended to afford potential respondents an equal opportunity to participate in the solicitation process. The following Terms and Conditions are standard for the District and apply to all types of purchasing, including this solicitation. In these Terms and Conditions, the terms *respondent, contractor, proposer, vendor,* and/or *bidder* refer to the person/firm that submits the offer to this solicitation document. The terms *RISD, owner, district,* and/or *government entity* refer to Rockwall Independent School District.

The documents contained in this solicitation represent the potential agreement between the successful respondent and the school district and supersedes any prior discussions, negotiations, representations, agreements, written or oral.

Any specifications, details, or specific instructions for this solicitation will be found following these Standard Terms and Conditions. Some of the Standard Terms and Conditions may not be applicable to a specific bid or proposal. To the extent each of the terms and conditions is applicable, these shall be deemed to be part of the vendor's bid or proposal documents. If there are specific terms and conditions contained in the bid or proposal documents which are inconsistent with the Standard Terms and Conditions, the specific terms and conditions in the bid and solicitation documents shall control. By submitting a bid or proposal, each vendor or proposer agrees to waive any claims it has or may have against the Owner, the Architect, and their respective officers, trustees, employees, agents, or representatives, arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation, recommendation, or selection of any bid or proposal; waiver of any requirements under the bid or proposal documents or contract documents; acceptance or rejection of any bid or proposal; and award of the contract.

The district guarantees no minimum dollar amount in purchase orders against this contract. The scope of this request and requirements of the District as shown in the specifications shall not be considered as binding on the District, and the work actually may be less than or greater than projected.

The RISD can terminate any resulting award for this request with thirty (30) calendar day notice, in the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeted or are otherwise not available in the next fiscal year for obligations herein provided, however, this provision shall not be construed so as to permit RISD to terminate this request in order to enter other contracts or make other arrangements for essentially the same services made the subject of this solicitation.

All bids and proposals from the vendor must remain open for acceptance for sixty (60) days after submittal.



#### AUTHORITY

The Board of Trustees has delegated to the superintendent the authority to make budgeted purchases for goods and services. Functional area experts, day-to-day contract administrators/managers, teachers, principals, and/or other district employees are not authorized to substantially amend this solicitation document or to substantially modify the subsequent contract. Substantially includes, but is not limited to, changes to delivery dates, place of delivery, and/or specifications that significantly alter the form, fit, and function of a product or the scope of work of a service. Amendments to solicitation documents may be made by the Director of Purchasing. Modifications to contracts/agreements will be made by the Director of Purchasing in accordance with the RISD Board of Trustee guidance, policies, and/or procedures. If a vendor acts on the guidance of a district employee that is not authorized to make changes, the vendor does so at his or her own risk or peril. Also, if a vendor attempts, or gains, a modification/amendment from a district employee that is not authorized to make changes, the vendor does this at his or her own risk or peril and risks the termination of his or her contract/agreement. The functional administrator for this contract is Luann Hughes, Executive Director of Technology.

#### CONTACT

Contact between soliciting vendors and user departments during this solicitation process or evaluation process is prohibited. Any attempt by a soliciting firm to contact the department may result in disqualification.

#### **VENDOR QUESTIONS**

Any explanation desired or questions by a vendor regarding the meaning or interpretation of these instructions or any other documents included in this solicitation must be requested in writing to RISD, Director of Purchasing, 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall, TX 75087 (jana.hunter@rockwalllisd.org) with sufficient time allowed for a reply to reach vendors before the submission of their offers. The email subject line for questions should read: "Questions" followed by the solicitation number and title. The deadline for questions regarding this solicitation is February 16, 2022.

#### ADDENDA

Written responses to vendor questions shall be presented in the form of an Addendum and posted on the District's website at: <u>https://www.rockwallisd.com/Page/380</u>. Respondents should monitor the Purchasing page on the RISD website for such postings. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Rockwall ISD reserves the right to post addendums up to, and including, the business day prior to the deadline. Vendors who submit a bid or proposal without acknowledging receipt of all addenda issued may be deemed to have submitted a bid or proposal not responsive to the solicitation. Failure to receive such addenda does not relieve the vendor from any obligation under the bid or proposal submitted. All formal written addenda become a part of the vendor bid or proposal documents.



#### **PRE-BID MEETING**

Any scheduled pre-bid meeting, will be noted on the cover page of this document. In the event a pre-bid meeting is held, attendance is highly recommended to all potential responders. The purpose of this meeting will be to answer any questions regarding the proposal specifications. Proposers are reminded, however, that verbal responses are not binding – only questions answered by formal written agenda will be binding and will be made part of the proposal documents. Proposers must satisfy themselves, upon examination of these specifications in the pre-bid conference, as to the intent of the specifications. After submission of the proposal, no complaint or claim that there was any misunderstanding in regard to items listed for proposal will be entertained from either party.

#### SUBMISSION

The responsibility for compliance with this solicitation and the subsequent contract shall be with the bidder/respondent. In submitting a response to this solicitation, respondent understands and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions, provided in this document, which shall be incorporated into any future contracts, agreements, or purchase orders relating to any resulting agreement between the vendor and Rockwall ISD.

Submissions to this request are due by: March 4, 2022 – 2:00 P.M. (CST)

Responses must be plainly marked on the outside with the vendor's name and address and the solicitation number. A shipping label has been provided in this packet and its use is highly encouraged. Respondents are instructed to submit (1) one original and (1) one copy. The original copy must be plainly marked "ORIGINAL". Please also include one full "original" copy (in searchable PDF format) on a flash drive.

Responses must be delivered in a sealed envelope or container and submitted to the Purchasing Department at the RISD Administration Building in sufficient time to be received and time-stamped on or before the published date and time shown within this document or on any subsequent addenda. No other published dates will be binding. Late submissions will not be accepted. Unsigned, unsealed, faxed or late responses will not be accepted. Rockwall ISD will not be responsible for mail delivered from the post office. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, electronic mail or facsimile transmitted responses will be considered. RISD Purchasing personnel will be the official time keeper for all submissions.

Each vendor shall furnish the information required by the solicitation documents. Proposals should provide straightforward, concise information that satisfies the requirements of this solicitation. Emphasis should be placed on conformity to the instructions and requirements of this solicitation and the completeness and clarity of content. Links to web sites for supporting documentation are not acceptable. Expensive bindings, color displays, and advertising materials are not necessary or desired.



Offers submitted on other than authorized forms or with different terms or provisions may be considered to be non-responsive. The vendor must sign the Offer Form and return with the other certifications provided herein. Failure to manually sign the offer may disqualify it from being considered. The person signing the documents must initial erasures or other changes. Signatures by an agent are to be accompanied with evidence of his authority unless such evidence has been previously furnished to RISD.

## EXCEPTIONS/MODIFICATIONS/WITHDRAWAL

Responses deposited with Rockwall ISD may be withdrawn prior to the time set for opening. A response may not be withdrawn after the submittal deadline. By submitting a response, the proposer warrants and guarantees that the document has been carefully reviewed and checked and that it is in all things true and accurate and free of mistakes. If any exceptions are taken to any portion of the bid or proposal, the vendor must clearly indicate the exceptions taken and include a full explanation. Vendor's failure to identify exceptions or proposed changes will constitute acceptance by the vendor of the bid or proposal as proposed by the District. The District reserves the right to reject a bid or proposal containing exceptions, additions, qualifications, or conditions. Any bid or proposal to the District by the vendor, or contract between the District and the vendor, can be modified or withdrawn only by written agreement between Rockwall ISD and the vendor.

## **BID OPENING**

Submittals may be publicly opened immediately after the response deadline on the same day. Responses received by hand delivery or mail after the stated due date and time will remain unopened. Trade secrets and confidential information contained in response shall not generally be open for public inspection, but RISD's records are a matter of public record.

#### DISQUALIFICATION

Any bid or proposal that does not contain all required contents required by District may be disqualified. Vendor is strongly encouraged to carefully review its bid or proposal documents prior to submitting their response to ensure all requirements are met. Failure to provide the information requested, in its entirety, may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal. Bidders or proposers may also be disqualified and their bids or proposals not considered, among other reasons, for any of the following specific reasons:

- a. Reason for believing collusion exists among respondents
- b. Reasonable grounds for believing that any respondent is interested in more than one solicitation for the work contemplated
- c. Where the respondent, any sub-contractor or supplier, or the surety on any bond given, or to be given, is in litigation with the District or where such litigation is contemplated or imminent, in the sole opinion of the District
- d. Respondent being in arrears on any existing contract/purchase order or having defaulted or failed to perform in a satisfactory manner on a previous purchase order



- e. Lack of competency as revealed by pertinent facts, including but not necessarily limited to, experience and equipment, financial statement and questionnaires
- f. Uncompleted work that, in the judgement of the District, will prevent or hinder the prompt completion of addition work if awarded.
- g. Where the bidder or proposer has failed to perform in a satisfactory manner on a previous purchase order or contract.

RISD expressly reserves the right to:

- a. Reject any or all proposals
- b. Consider a response irregular if it shows any omissions, alterations of form, additions, or conditions not called for; failure to return all forms and copies; or irregularities of any kind.
- c. Waive any minor informality or deficiency in a bid or proposal if it is determined to be in the best interest of RISD
- d. Award to a single vendor, multiple vendors, each line item separately, or in any combination it determines to be in the best interest of the District. If the Respondent chooses to propose "All or None" or is not agreeable to multiple or split awards, it must be noted as a deviation and included with the response.
- e. Reissue a request
- f. Consider and accept an alternate proposal as provided herein when most advantageous to RISD, including the utilization of other District contracts, contracts awarded by other governmental agencies, other school boards, or cooperative agreements in lieu of any offer received or award made as a result of this proposal, if it is in the best interest to do so.
- g. Cancel the contract with a thirty-day written notice, without prejudice, for factors including, but not limited to, non-availability or non-appropriation of funds
- h. Procure any item or services by other means to meet time-sensitive requirements
- i. As part of the evaluation process, seek additional information from bidders or proposers, interview bidders or proposers, and negotiate the terms of a proposal as allowed by Texas law.
- j. Negotiate price/delivery for service(s)/products(s) identified by this request. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids that comply with the specifications or to accept a higher bid that complies, when, in judgment of the District, such proposal offers additional value or function, which justifies the difference in price.
- k. Make an award without discussion with any proposer.
- I. Be the sole judge of acceptable proposal responses.
- m. Cancel part or this entire contract at any time during the term without cause. Notification will be submitted in writing no less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date. Upon receipt of such notice from the District, vendor shall not thereafter incur, and RISD shall have no liability for, any costs under this solicitation that are not necessary for actual performance of the request between the date of the notice of termination for convenience and the effective date of that termination



for convenience. In the event of a termination for convenience hereunder, RISD shall have no liability to vendor for lost or anticipated profit resulting there from.

n. Terminate for default all or any part of this contract if vendor breaches any of the terms hereof or if the vendor becomes insolvent or files any petition in bankruptcy. Such right of termination is in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies which RISD may have in law or equity, specifically including, but not limited to, the right to collect for damages or demand specific performance. RISD may terminate the contract and debar the vendor for future "bidding" for violations of the federal requirements including, but not limited to, "Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act", "Equal Employment Opportunity Act", and "Energy Policy and Conservation Act".

Purchases of service or equipment from a business owned in whole or in part by a Rockwall ISD employee shall be permitted only when approved by the Director of Purchasing and when determination has been made that such equipment or service is not an extension of the employee's regular job responsibility at the District. Failure on part of Proposer to disclose ownership by the District employee may be grounds for disqualification.

## **EVALUATION**

Proposals may be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee comprised of key Rockwall ISD personnel in order to fairly evaluate all qualified proposals. Evaluation by committee members will be combined into one score, which will be compared to the other proposals.

To the extent allowed by law, discussions/negotiations may be conducted with vendors who are deemed to be within the competitive range. If discussions/negotiations are conducted, respondents may be required to submit a best and final offer. The best and final offer may be required as early as 24 hours after completion of discussions/negotiations.

The solicitation process seeks to find the best overall solution to Rockwall ISD. While it is the intent of the school district to obtain the best quality products and/or services at the lowest prices possible, cost is not the only factor in making the determination of best value. Award shall be made to the qualified respondent(s) whose response is most advantageous to Rockwall ISD. In determining to whom to award a contract and per the Texas Education Code 44.031 (b), the district considers (at a minimum) the following criteria. At the discretion of the district and in evaluation of this solicitation, point values are indicated where applicable.



TEC	Criteria	Description	Weight
(1)	Purchase Price		30
(2)	The reputation of the vendor and of the vendor's goods or services	The respondent's demonstrated knowledge, competence and experience with similar type services for districts and/or public entities.	20
(3)	The quality of the vendor's goods or services	Including but not limited to qualifications and experience of the respondent and team members providing services associated with this solicitation	15
(4)	The extent to which the goods or services	s meet the District's needs	20
(5)	The vendor's past relationship with the District	The respondent's past relationship with the District and quality of references from past or current customers in education.	10
(6)	The impact on the ability of the District to historically underutilized businesses	comply with laws and rules relating to	
(7)	The long-term cost to the District to acquire the vendor's goods or services	Any proposed price increase beyond the first year, if applicable	5
(8)	<ul> <li>For a contract for good and services, other than goods and services related to telecommunications and information services, building construction and maintenance, or instructional materials, whether the vendor or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority</li> <li>(8) majority</li> <li>owner:</li> <li>- Has its principal place of business in this state; or employs at least 500 persons in this state</li> </ul>		
(9)	Any other relevant factor specifically liste compliance with the basic requirements a	d in the request for bid or proposals, including and forms provided in this document	
<ul> <li>In awarding a contract by competitive sealed bid under this section, a school district that has its central administrative office located in a municipality with a population of less than 250,000 may consider a bidder's principal place of business in the manner provided by Section 271.9051, Loca Government Code. This subsection does not apply to the purchase of telecommunications services or information services, as those terms are defined by 47 U.S.C. Section 153.</li> <li>As provided by Texas Education Code 44.043 ("Right to Work"), Rockwall ISD will not consider whether the vendor is a member of, or has any other relationship, with any organization, and the specifications are not intended to, and do not, deny or diminish the right of a person to work because of the person's membership or other relationship status with respect to any organizations.</li> <li>It is the intent and policy of the District not to discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, or national origin in its programs and/or activities, nor in its employment practices.</li> </ul>			



#### LOBBYING

In order to ensure the integrity of the selection process, the vendor's employees, officers, agents, or other representatives shall not lobby or attempt to influence a vote or recommendation related to the vendor's response, directly or indirectly, through any contact with school board members or other district officials involved in the solicitation from the date it is released until the award.

#### AWARD

Successful vendor(s) may be notified in writing of District's award. No assignment of a bid, proposal, or resulting contract is permitted without the prior notice to and written consent of Rockwall ISD by means of a Notice to Proceed and/or Authorized Purchase Order or signed contract after a recommendation has been accepted by the RISD Board of Trustees. If respondent requires any other agreement, a draft document must be provided with the proposal. No work shall begin, goods procured or delivered, or costs incurred by vendor until the notice is received. Any cost incurred by the vendor prior to the notice shall not be reimbursed by the District.

Tabulations may be requested by contacting the Director of Purchasing via email upon award of a contract based upon approval by the RISD Board of Trustees, if required. Otherwise, information may be released after award of the contract by the Superintendent or designee.

#### TERM

If this solicitation is for a set time period only, or a single purchase, the award will last until the goods or services have been delivered, completed and accepted by the District. The District reserves the right to acquire reasonable amounts of additional goods/services, as listed in the bid or proposal, subject to verification of the same or lower prices and conditions of the bid or proposal and consistent with Texas law. After the initial contract term, the District reserves the right to extend the contract as indicated in this request.

#### PRICING

All prices proposed by the vendor, and accepted by the District, shall remain in effect throughout the term of the bid proposal, award, contract, or purchaser order, and cannot be increased during that term without written agreement between the vendor and the Rockwall ISD Board of Trustees or its designee. Rockwall ISD reserves the right to show a preference to any bid or proposal that provides a standard discount percentage for goods or services, or a discount for early payment of any bill to the vendor for its goods or services.

#### **BILLING AND PAYMENTS**

Per CH Local of District Policy - The District limits its purchases through the use of properly drawn and authorized purchase orders. Consequently, the District is not responsible for items not ordered via this method. The purchase order number shall appear on all itemized invoices to ensure payment. District



employees shall not be permitted to purchase supplies or equipment for personal use through the District's business office without an authorized purchase order. Completing work or providing product without a purchase order may result in non-payment by the district and/or termination of awarded contract.

The District is a tax-exempt entity under Texas law. Vendor should not include tax on its bid, proposal, quote or invoice to the District. Vendor shall submit itemized invoices on each purchase order in a timely manner following delivery.

Invoices shall indicate the purchase order number and be submitted to RISD Business Office, Attn: Accounts Payable, 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall TX 75087 or emailed to <u>accountspayable@rockwallisd.org</u>.

The vendor shall make no charge or addition to the accepted price for delivering, placing, or invoicing product(s). Payment shall not be due until all items on the purchase order have been received by RISD (unless specified in the specifications) and the above instruments are submitted and the invoice has been accepted by RISD. All prices shall be F.O.B. destination.

District shall make all payments under this Agreement from current revenues available. In the event no funds, or insufficient funds due to non-appropriation, are available at any time or during any fiscal period when such payment is due, in accordance with Local Government Code Ann. §271.903, District shall notify vendor of such occurrence and this Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the fiscal period for which payment was received without penalty or expense to District of any kind whatsoever. However, District shall be responsible to remit payment for all services provided by the Vendor to the District prior to the termination date.

# GOODS

The vendor warrants that it owns and is legally able to transfer ownership of the goods or materials that are the basis of the solicitation to Rockwall ISD. The vendor warrants that it owns a clear title free of any materialman's, suppliers, or other type of liens, mortgage, encumbrance, or other security interest in the goods or materials supplied to Rockwall ISD. Any breach to this warranty of title shall be considered a default by the vendor and good cause for termination of the award, contract, or purchase order.

Strict conformance with the standards, specifications, and requirements of the bid or proposal is required by Rockwall ISD. Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, all supplies and components to be provided shall be new (not used or reconditioned, and not of such age or so deteriorated as to impair their usefulness or safety), of current production, and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended. If at any time during the term of an awarded agreement the vendor believes the furnishings of supplies or components which are not new is necessary or desirable, it shall notify the District immediately, in writing, including the reasons and proposing any consideration which will flow to the District if authorization to use such supplies or components is granted.



If a brand name or specific model name is shown in the proposed specifications or bid form, such usage is to indicate an acceptable standard which must be considered if bidding better or equivalent products. Any bid or proposal for such better or equivalent products shall provide significant information on the products to allow the District to determine whether or not they are acceptable.

Any proposed substitution of goods or services to be supplied by the vendor shall require prior written acceptance by the District, unless stated otherwise. The vendor shall be bound to provide all proposed goods or services if its bid or proposal is accepted and awarded by Rockwall ISD, and no changes shall be acceptable unless agreed to in writing by the District.

Vendor assumes all liability for delivering non-compliant goods. The District reserves the right to reject any tender of non-compliant goods and shall require the vendor to take possession of such defective goods at no cost to District, and replace them with compliant goods at no cost to District, unless Rockwall ISD elects, in writing, to accept such non-compliant goods. Such non-confirming goods shall constitute good cause for termination of the contract, purchase order, or award, if not accepted by written agreement by Rockwall ISD or cured by the vendor.

Respondent agrees to ascertain whether goods manufactured in accordance with the specifications will give rise to the rightful claim of any third person by way of infringement or the like. If vendor is of the opinion that an infringement or the like will result, he/she will notify RISD to this effect in writing within two weeks after the signing of this a contract. If RISD does not receive notice and is subsequently held liable for the infringement or the like, vendor will indemnify RISD for any damages due to such claim. If vendor, in good faith, ascertains that production of the goods in accordance with the specifications will result in infringement or the like, this document shall be null and void. RISD may pay vendor for the reasonable cost (as determined by RISD) of his/her search as to infringements.

Respondent warrants that the product sold to RISD shall conform to the standards promulgated by the federal government including, but not limited to, the U.S. Department of Labor under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). In the event the product does not conform to applicable safety standards, RISD may return the product for correction or replacements at the vendor's expense. In the event vendor fails to make the appropriate correction within a reasonable time (i.e., 2 weeks) correction may be made by RISD at vendor's expense.

The terms of the agreement are "no arrival, no sale". The title and risk of loss of the goods shall not pass to the District until the District actually receives and takes possession of the goods/services at the point or points of delivery. The District shall have the right to inspect the goods at delivery before accepting them. The vendor shall be responsible for replacing or correcting any defective product or service supplied to the District in response to the Solicitation at no cost to Rockwall ISD.



#### DELIVERY

Performance of service/delivery of goods shall be made to the location identified on each purchase order or resulting contract. All work performed, as herein shown under the specifications, shall be of the highest quality workmanship and shall in every respect meet or exceed the industry standards for this type of good/service. Every tender or delivery of goods must fully comply with all provisions of this contract as to time of delivery, quality and the like. All delivered equipment, materials or merchandise must be new, unused, free of liens, and in the manufacturer's original packing unless otherwise specified. If a tender is made which does not fully conform, this shall constitute a breach of the contract, purchase order, and award, and the vendor shall not have the right to substitute a conforming tender, provided, where the time for performance has not yet expired, the vendor may reasonably notify the district of his intention to cure and may then make a conforming tender within the contract time but not afterward.

The vendor will package goods in accordance with good commercial practice. Each shipping container shall be clearly and permanently packed as follows: (a) vendor's name and address;(b) Consignee's name, address and purchase order or purchase release number and the supply agreement number if applicable; (c) Container number and total number of containers, e.g., box 1 of 4 boxes; and (d) the number of the container bearing the packing slip. The vendor shall bear the costs of packaging and delivery at reasonable costs unless otherwise provided. Acceptance by the District of any delivery shall not relieve the vendor of any guarantee or warranty, express or implied, nor shall it be considered an acceptance of material not in accordance with the specifications and shall not waive the District's right to request replacement of defective material.

#### NOTICE OF DELAYS

Whenever the vendor encounters any difficulty which delays or threatens to delay timely performance, the vendor shall immediately give notice, in writing, to the District, including all relevant information. Such notice shall not in any way constitute a basis for an extension of the delivery or performance schedule or be construed as a waiver by Rockwall ISD of any right or remedies to which it is entitled by law or pursuant to provisions herein. Failure to give such notice, however, may be grounds for denial of any request for an extension of the delivery or performance schedule because of such delay.

#### SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

The vendor shall provide, at no cost to DISTRICT, at least one (1) copy of any Safety Data Sheet (SDS) applicable to any goods or materials to be supplied by the vendor in response to this solicitation.

#### WARRANTIES

Warranties for goods and services shall be a minimum of one (1) year from completion of the bid or proposal. If goods or services to be provided are of comparable quality, the District may give preference to longer warranties when evaluating the bid or proposal.



The price to be paid by Rockwall ISD shall be that contained in vendor's response, which the vendor warrants to be no higher than the vendor's current prices on orders by others for products of the kind and specification covered by the agreement for similar quantities under similar or like conditions and methods of purchase. In the event the vendor breaches this warranty, the prices of the items shall be reduced to the vendor's current prices on orders by others or, in the alternative, Rockwall ISD may cancel this contract without liability to the vendor for breach or the vendor's actual expense.

The vendor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee excepting bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the vendor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, Rockwall ISD shall have the right in addition to any other right or rights to cancel this contract without liability and to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

The vendor shall not limit or exclude any implied warranties and any attempt to do so shall render this contract voidable at the option of the District. The vendor warrants that the goods furnished will conform to the specifications, drawings and descriptions listed in the bid invitation and to the sample(s) furnished by the vendor, if any. In the event of a conflict between the specifications, drawings and descriptions, the specifications shall govern. All equipment items awarded as a result of the bid will be covered by an all parts and labor warranty, including any/all transportation charges, for a minimum period of one (1) year.

# CONTRACTORS

Persons providing services on a project ("subcontractor" in Texas Labor Code 406.096) include all persons or entities performing all or part of the services the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractors, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity that furnishes persons to provide services on the project.

Services include, without limitation, providing, hauling, or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. Services do not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets. The proposer declares that in the event of the award of a contract to the undersigned to this offer will comply with the Immigration Reform & Control Act of 1986.

Respondents will provide their own tools/equipment required/expected of their craft/trade. The contractor is responsible for permits and fees required and compliance with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations, and statutes. The job site shall be in a clean, safe and orderly condition at all times. It shall be the contractor's



responsibility to remove all debris, materials, and equipment from the job site upon completion of the work specified.

The contractor shall agree to waive all right of subrogation against the District, its officials, employees and volunteers for losses from work performed by contractor for the District.

The contractor shall hold the District harmless from and indemnify it against all liability, including attorney's fees, which may arise from and accrue directly from the performance of the work or any obligation of Contractor or failure of Contractor to perform any work or obligation provided for in this Agreement.

## INSURANCE

The successful respondent, at his/her own expense, shall provide and maintain insurance with fiscally sound firms (at least an AM Best rating of A-) authorized to do business in Texas. Insurance requirements also apply to any sub-contractor(s) in the event that any work is sublet. The contractor is responsible for making sure the sub-contractor(s) meets the minimum insurance requirement limits as by law.

Insurance must remain in effect for the duration of this contract. Should any policy be canceled before the expiration date, the issuing company will mail thirty (30) days written notice to the certificate holder, RISD. The contractor shall notify the district in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten days after the contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project. If the coverage period shown on the contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the district showing that coverage has been extended.

Vendor may be required to provide a copy of insurance coverage to RISD. If the district is to be named as an additional insured on the vendor's insurance coverage, the certificate indicating this should be provided within ten (10) calendar days from date of award. The bid/proposal number and title should be noted in the "Description of Operations/Locations/Vehicles/Special Items" block of the certificate and the "Certificate Holder" block of the certificate should read, "RISD, Attn: Director of Purchasing, 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall, TX 75087." Additional insurance requirements may be required for construction and/or services projects and will be identified elsewhere in this document.

The contractor represents to the district that all employees of the contractor who will provide services on the project will be covered by statutory workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code 401.011 (44) for all employees of the contractor, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance regulation. Providing



false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.

The contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form, and manner prescribed by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.

A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement (TWCC-81, TWCC-82, TWCC-83, or TWCC-84), showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project is required for the duration of the project. Duration of the project includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the project has been completed and accepted by the district.

The contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one year thereafter. The contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the contractor that entitled the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the contractor does not remedy the breach within ten days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

## TERMINATION

Vendor shall be considered in default, and such default shall be grounds for the District to terminate any resulting award for this solicitation and/or pursue any and all relief, at law or in equity, to which it may be entitled by reason of such default, in the presence of a failure to perform any of its obligations under any resulting agreement and fails to correct such non-performance within ten (10) calendar days of written notice from the District to do so. In case of default of the vendor, RISD reserves the right to terminate the purchase order. In case of default of three (3) purchase orders, the district reserves the right to terminate the contract and suspend future business with the vendor.

Rockwall ISD shall have the right to terminate any purchase order to, contract with, or awarded to the vendor, in whole or in part, for cause (including breach of the proposal, warranties, or contract by the vendor, or because of loss of federal funding) or for the District's convenience at any time. Any award, contract, or purchase order is subject to termination by the District if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting, or creating the solicitation on behalf of the District, is at any time while the solicitation is in effect, an employee of the vendor in any capacity or as a consultant to the District with respect to the subject matter of the Solicitation.

If deemed necessary, inspections will be made by authorized District personnel on a routine basis. Any deficiencies in the work performance disclosed during such inspections must be corrected following receipt of notification by the Vendor. Continued failure to take such corrective actions could, at the District's discretion, lead to termination of any resulting award.



#### FORCE MAJEURE

Neither the District nor the vendor shall be responsible or deemed to be in default of its obligations to the other to the extent any failure to perform or delay in performing its obligations under the bid or proposal is caused by events or conditions beyond the reasonable control of that party, and are not due to the negligence or willful misconduct of such party (hereinafter, "Force Majeure events"). For purposes of the bid or proposal, Force Majeure events shall include, but not be limited to, acts of God or public enemy, war, riot or civil commotion, strikes, epidemic, fire, earthquake, tornado, hurricane, flood, explosion, weather-related emergencies, or other catastrophes, or events or conditions due to law, regulations, ordinances, order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or executive decree or order. However, in the event of such delayed nonperformance or nonperformance, the party so delayed shall furnish prompt written notice to the other party (including the date of inception of the Force Majeure event and the extent to which it will affect performance) and shall undertake all efforts reasonably possible to cure the delay or nonperformance and mitigate its effects, or to otherwise perform. The District shall not be responsible for payment for any product or service delayed or foreclosed by any Force Majeure event unless and until such delayed or foreclosed product or service is provided. These provisions shall not preclude the District from canceling or terminating any resulting award (or any order for any goods or services included herein), or from revising the scope of the work, as otherwise permitted under the bid or proposal.

#### CONFLICTS

Effective January 1, 2006 and pursuant to Texas H.B. No. 914 and in accordance with Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code, Section 176.006, any person or entity who contracts or seeks to contract with RISD for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services (as well as agents of such persons, hereafter referred to as Vendors) are required to file, on an annual basis, a Conflict of Interest Questionnaire with the District. Each covered person or entity who seeks to or who contracts with RISD is responsible for complying with any applicable disclosure requirements. RISD will post the completed questionnaires on its website. Information regarding H.B. No. 914 may be obtained from the Texas Ethics Commission's website at <a href="http://www.ethics.state.tx.us">http://www.ethics.state.tx.us</a>.

Any board member who has any substantial interest, either direct or indirect, in any business entity seeking to contract with the District, shall, before any vote or decision on any matter involving the business entity, file an affidavit stating the nature and extent of interest and shall abstain from any participation in the matter. This is not required if the vote or decision will not have any special effect on the entity other than its effect on the public. However, if a majority of the governing body are also required to file, and do file similar affidavits, then the member is not required to abstain from further participation. *Local Government Code Chapter 171* 

In 2015, the Texas Legislature adopted House Bill 1295, which added section 2252.908 of the Government Code. The laws states that a governmental entity or state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties (Form 1295) to the



governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency. The business entity is responsible for first electronically filing Form 1295 with the Ethics Commission. This filing process creates a certification of filing and a completed Form 1295 must be printed, signed by an authorized agent of the business entity and submitted to the school district.

#### GRATUITIES

Please note that a "gift to a public servant" is a Class A misdemeanor offense if the recipient is a government employee who exercise some influences in the purchasing process of the governmental body. This would certainly apply to anyone who helps establish specifications or is involved in product selection or directs a purchase.

The District may, by written notice to the vendor, cancel this solicitation, its contract, purchase order, or award without liability to the vendor if it is determined by the District that gratuities, in the form of entertainment, compensation, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by the vendor, or any agent or representative of the vendor, to any Board of Trustee member, officer, or employee of the Rockwall Independent School District with an intent to secure favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending, or the making of any determinations with respect to the performing of such an agreement. In the event this contract is canceled by the District pursuant to this provision, Rockwall ISD shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold the amount used by the vendor to provide such gratuities.

# FACILITIES

Rockwall ISD is a tobacco-free, drug-free, weapon-free and alcohol-free environment. No one may use, consume, carry, transport or exchange alcohol beverages, tobacco, cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, controlled substances and/ or illegal drugs while in a school district building or while on school district property. It is the responsibility of the vendor to ensure that its employees, agents, and subcontractors are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol and/or in possession of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or weapons. If an employee, agent, or subcontractor of vendor is found to be under the influence and/or in possession of drugs/tobacco, alcohol, or weapons at the time of service, the vendor will be notified at once by District that the individual(s) must be immediately restricted from all Rockwall ISD campuses/departments. Repeated offenses by vendor could result in contract termination for default.

For the safety of students, all vendor personnel will sign visitor log in the office at the campus. An identification badge will be worn as required by the campus administrator. Vendor personnel are expected to maintain proper dress and exhibit a vendor badge or wear vendor issued shirts displaying the vendor logo. contractors uniform identifies All must also be in а that them at all times.

All vendor personnel are required to stay within the designated installation areas and may only enter a



teacher's classroom when accompanied by District personnel.

At the time of offer submission, the person or entity submitting an offer must give notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in this conviction of a felony. The District may terminate a contract with a person or business if the District determines that the person or business failed to give such notice or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. This requirement does not apply to a publicly held corporation.

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires service contractors to obtain criminal history record information regarding covered employees and to certify to the District that they have done so. Covered employees with disqualifying convictions are prohibited from serving at a school district. Covered employees are all employees of a contractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students. The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students.

Vendors (owners, officers, employees, volunteers, etc.) may not work on District property where students may or may not be present when they have charges pending, have been convicted, received probation or deferred adjudication for the following:

- Any offense against a child
- Any sex offense
- Any crimes against persons involving weapons or violence
- Any felony offense involving controlled substances
- Any felony offense against property
- Any other offense the District believes might compromise the safety of students, staff, or property.

#### ASBESTOS

Vendors who perform work inside the RISD facilities are hereby notified that buildings may contain asbestos containing materials. This notification is required by both the State of Texas Department of State Health Services and the Federal EPA Asbestos regulations. These guidelines cover both RISD's responsibilities and the Employer's responsibility to their employees. As a Vendor it is your responsibility to check each building prior to performing any work in that facility. These building materials may include but are not limited to: ceiling tile, floor tile and mastic, sheetrock, tape and bed compound, thermal pipe insulation, spray-on ceiling material, calks, and roofing products. As there have been numerous asbestos containing products manufactured over the years, you must check each building's Asbestos Management Plan. This plan is normally kept in the main office. Check with the school secretary and she will allow you to look at it. It is the vendor's responsibility to notify all employees working for them that RISD facilities may contain asbestos and where their employees may find the facility's Asbestos Management Plan.



Products and/or services procured under this agreement may be of a construction nature and will require certification that materials utilized and installed in conjunction with any project involving construction, be it new, renovation or contracted trade services, are free of asbestos and lead.

## **ABORTION PROVIDERS**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Ann. Chapter 2272, by submitting a bid or proposal and entering a contract with the District on such bid or proposal, the vendor verifies that it is not an abortion provider or an affiliate of abortion providers, whereby the provider or affiliate receives something of value derived from state or local tax revenue. Any contract entered into by the District is void if the vendor has such a prohibited affiliation or contractual relationship.

# PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT (PIA) / FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)

By entering into a contract, pursuant to Texas Government Code Ann. Chapter 552, Subchapter J, the vendor agrees to be bound by the following terms if the contract has a stated expenditure of at least \$1,000,000 for the purchase of goods or services by the District or if the contract results in the expenditure of at least \$1,000,000 in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by the District in a fiscal year of the Rockwall ISD. If the district receives a written request for public information related to this Contract that is in the possession or custody of the vendor and not in the possession or custody of the District, Rockwall ISD shall send, not later than the third business day after the date the District receives the written request, a written request to the vendor that vendor provide that information to the District.

The vendor must:

- Preserve all contracting information related to the contract as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District for the duration of the contract;
- Promptly, within four business days, provide to the District any requested contracting information that is in the custody or possession of the vendor upon request of the Rockwall ISD; and,

On completion of the contract, either:

- Provide to the District at no cost all contracting information related to the contract that is in the custody or possession of the vendor; or
- Preserve the contracting information related to the contract as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the District.

If the requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code Ann. apply to this Solicitation or Contract, the vendor agrees that the contract can be terminated if the vendor knowingly or intentionally fails



to comply with the requirements of that subchapter. Texas Government Code Ann. Chapter 552.374.

Further, under Texas Government Code Ann. Chapter 552.372(c), Rockwall ISD may not accept a bid from or award a contract to an entity that the District has determined has knowingly or intentionally failed in a previous bid or contract to comply with Subchapter J, unless the District determines and documents that the entity has taken adequate steps to ensure future compliance.

If a vendor fails to provide the requested information to the District, Texas Government Code Ann. §552.373 requires the District to notify the vendor in writing of the failure and allow 10 business days to cure the violation. Rockwall ISD may terminate the contract if vendor fails to remedy the failure, the District determines the failure was knowing and intentional, and steps have not been taken to ensure future compliance.

#### INDEMNITY

Except as otherwise expressly provided or prohibited by law, respondent shall defend, indemnify, and hold RISD harmless from and against all claims, liability, loss and expenses, including reasonable costs, collection expenses, and attorneys' fees incurred, which arise by reason of the acts or omissions of respondent, its agents or employees in the performance of its obligations under this contract. This clause shall survive termination of this contract.

#### ANTI-TRUST

Successful respondent shall assign to RISD any and all claims for overcharges associated with this contract which arise under the antitrust laws of the United States, 15 USCA, Section 1 et seq., and which arise under the antitrust laws of the State of Texas, Tex. Bus. & Com. Code, Section 15.01, et seq.

#### MEDIATION

In the event of any dispute arising out of, related to, or regarding vendor's bid or proposal, or charges for goods or services provided by the vendor, those disputes will be resolved under the terms of Texas Government Code Ann. Chapter 2251. The vendor further agrees that any dispute regarding the sufficiency of the goods or services supplied by the vendor that is not resolved by discussion with the District, will be submitted to mediation in Rockwall County, Texas, with a mutually-agreed mediator, before either party may file suit. The costs of the mediator will be divided equally between the parties. In the event of any litigation between the parties, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees from the other party.

#### LITIGATION

This procurement, and any resulting award, contract, purchase order, or other agreement arising out of or related to it, shall be governed and interpreted by the laws of the State of Texas, and any litigation shall be conducted in state district court. Mandatory and exclusive venue shall be in Rockwall County, Texas, or, if no county is specified, then in the county in which the Owner's main administrative office is located.





# **SPECIFICATIONS**

## SUMMARY REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL (RFCSP)

The RFCSP is to provide interested vendors with uniform information concerning the Rockwall Independent School District requirements for a Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade at ten (10) district elementary schools. The scope of this project is to replace and, in some instances, add to our existing Wi-Fi Infrastructure that will connect to our existing LAN Infrastructure. Due to the complexity and amount of knowledge required for successful placement and configuration, the Rockwall Independent School District is seeking a complete turnkey solution that covers from equipment acquisition to complete installation.

## **Detailed Specifications**

- The intent of this project is to upgrade the existing Wi-Fi Infrastructure with Meraki MR56 or Aruba AP-515 & AP-535 access points or equivalent into the existing network and configure in accordance with Rockwall ISD Technology specifications. It is expected that all vendor proposals will provide a turnkey solution that integrates seamlessly into our existing network infrastructure.
- It is expected that proposals will not introduce unreasonable technical and administrative burdens associated with learning, troubleshooting, and connecting to the solution presented.
- The vendor proposal will take into account all costs, technicalities, planning, hardware, software, miscellaneous needs, and necessary labor required to provide a complete turnkey solution.
- Bids that do not include a turnkey solution or partial bids will be disqualified.
- The Rockwall Independent School District expects that vendors are fully certified and knowledgeable in regards to the physical cabling, installation, and configuration of all items required by this RFCSP.
- In the event the Rockwall Independent School District anticipates using E-Rate funding for this project, the responder must be a registered service provider with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC).
- Vendor will coordinate with Rockwall ISD Technology once RFCSP is awarded to determine delivery dates, installation locations, and storage before installation if necessary.

# Network Components

- The Vendor will submit either a Meraki Option, Aruba Option, or equivalent bid for this project that correlates with each option listed below. Vendor is not prohibited from submitted bids for both options.
- The Rockwall Independent School District will review all bid options and choose the one that best meets the needs for this project.
- The majority of access points for this project will be "in place" upgrades that will utilize our existing cabling infrastructure. Cabling installation quantities are located in the tables below with cabling specifications under the "Typical Cabling Install Guidelines" section.
- All cabling including patch cables will be Panduit or equivalent.



Meraki Option – No Licensing Required			
Model Number	Model Number Description		
MR56	WiFi 6 with multigigabit Ethernet, dual-band WIDS/WIPS, and Bluetooth w/mounting bracket	573	
PUP6004-BU-W Panduit Category 6 UTP TX6000 Copper Cable - Install from access point to closest MDF/IDF. 100 meter maximum installation length.		18	
UTP28SP5BL Panduit Category 6 Performance, 28 AWG UTP patch cord with TX6™ Modular Plugs on each end. Black, 5 ft.		18	

Aruba Option			
Model Number	Description	Quantity	
Q9H63A	Aruba AP-515 Mid-Range WiFi 6 Campus Access point w/mounting bracket (Cloud Managed)	512	
JZ337A	Aruba AP-535 High-Performance WiFi 6 Campus Access point w/mounting bracket (Cloud Managed)	30	
Q9Y59AAE	Aruba Central AP Foundation 3-Year Subscription E-Stu	542	
HG6T5E	Aruba 1 Year Foundation Care NBD AP-515 Hardware Exchange Service	512	
HG6E6E	Aruba 1 Year Foundation Care NBD AP-535 Hardware Exchange Service	30	
PUP6004-BU-W	Panduit Category 6 UTP TX6000 Copper Cable - Install from access point to closest MDF/IDF. 100 meter maximum installation length.	2	
UTP28SP5BL	Panduit Category 6 Performance, 28 AWG UTP patch cord with TX6™ Modular Plugs on each end. Black, 5 ft.	2	



## **Typical Access Point Install Guidelines**

- Vendor will coordinate with Rockwall ISD Technology prior to installation to go over exact placement of access points.
- Vendor will install an access point in each classroom based on specifications provided by Rockwall ISD Technology.
- Vendor will install two or more access points in large venue areas such as Gym, Cafeteria and Library. Meraki Option only. The Aruba Option will install one (1) AP-535 in each of these areas.
- Vendor will install access points in various office or work space rooms as directed by Rockwall ISD Technology.
- Vendor will receive asset tags for all access points provided by Rockwall ISD Technology.
  - All asset tags must be placed on top of access point, viewable when standing in the room looking up.
- Each access point must be installed securely to ceiling grid.
  - If there is no ceiling grid for the access point, Rockwall ISD Technology will direct vendor on the best location for the access point.
- Positioning of the access point will be toward the center of the classroom with the status signal on the access point visible from the hallway where possible.
- Vendor will re-use existing ethernet cables that were previously connected to existing access points. These cables already penetrate the ceiling tiles.
  - If a ceiling tile is broken during installation, vendor must immediately report to Rockwall ISD Technology to resolve and replace.
- Vendor will receive a temporary account for Rockwall ISD's cloud management dashboard.
  - Vendor will configure all access points for optimal signal without overlap or interference.
- Vendor will name each access point within the cloud management dashboard according to the school location and school room number.
  - Example: es16-A9
  - In the instance where a room has more than one access point, the vendor will put a 1 or 2 after the access point. Example: es16-gym-1 and es16-gym-2.
- Vendor will place all access points in their exact location on the location map inside of the cloud management dashboard. Maps will be provided by Rockwall ISD Technology.
- High ceiling access:
  - Vendor will have to install several access points that require a ladder or device larger than 12 ft.
  - It is the responsibility of the vendor to arrange for a device or ladder that reaches Rockwall ISD owned ceilings.
- Vendor must clean up all trash and boxes from all locations and remove from Rockwall ISD facility. NO TRASH WILL BE LEFT ON ROCKWALL ISD SITE.
- All extra materials are to be put into a box and then turned over to Rockwall ISD Technology.



• Vendor must provide Rockwall ISD Technology a detailed Excel spreadsheet with the following information for all equipment installed:

Access	Point	Asset Tag	Model #	Serial #	Room
Name					Location

## **Typical Cabling Install Guidelines**

- Vendor must be Panduit Certified.
  - In the event the primary Vendor chooses to use a subcontractor for cable installation, that subcontractor must be Panduit Certified.
- All equipment (racks, drops, connectors, etc.) shall be Panduit or equivalent.
- Install Category 6 (minimum) cabling to provide new data grade infrastructure.
- Cabling should be installed in a neat and organized manner using J or D style hooks.
- Label patch panels and wall plate jacks with indelible labels/ink indicating MDF/IDF location and unique identified patch panel number. Hand written labeling is unacceptable.
- Terminate cable using Panduit Modular jacks or equivalent.
- New cabling will be terminated into existing patch panels. Direct connection to the switch is unacceptable.
- If there is no space in the existing patch panel, it will be the vendor's responsibility to provide a district approved patch panel.

#### Typical Patch Panel/Patch Cable Install Guidelines

- Patch cables will be 5 ft Panduit Category 6 Performance, 28 AWG UTP with TX6 Modular Plus or equivalent.
- Patch cable color scheme will be as follows:
  - Data ports Blue
  - WiFi ports Black
  - o Camera ports Green
  - Phone ports Yellow
  - Panel ports Orange
  - o AV/Amino/CM3000 ports White
  - Time Clock/HVAC Red
- Patch cables will be installed in a neat and orderly manner per Rockwall ISD Technology specifications.



#### Site Locations and AP Quantities per Location

	Meraki Option	Aruba Option	
School Location	Model MR56	Model AP-515	Model AP-535
Amy Parks Elementary	53	47	3
Billie Stevenson Elementary	61	54	3
Celia Hays Elementary	57	51	3
Doris Cullins-Lake Pointe Elementary	66	60	3
Dorris Jones Elementary	58	52	3
Dorothy Smith Pullen Elementary	54	48	3
Grace Hartman Elementary	52	46	3
Nebbie Williams Elementary	55	49	3
Ouida Springer Elementary	56	50	3
Sharon Shannon Elementary	61	55	3

## **Pricing**

- Proposal must include pricing elements for all required and all available services.
- Proposal must include:
  - Company Information- List your company's legal name, address, and telephone number. Include parent company information if applicable.
  - Vendor Authorizations- Provide appropriate company authorizations.
  - Technical Support Details- Provide normal support hours relative to Central Standard Time.
     Provide description of support options, maximum and minimum response times and appropriate details relative to how to initiate and use support options.
  - Proposal must include cost of complete proposed solution.
- Qualified vendor must submit detailed Excel document outlining the cost of each item and yearly maintenance fees.
- The vendor will submit an outline of all costs in a clear and concise manner.
- Pricing must include:
  - o Installation
  - o Setup
  - o Required configurations and/or programming
  - o Project Management
  - o Equipment
  - $\circ$  Services
  - $\circ$  Software



- Prices must be listed as follows.
  - o One-Time fees:
    - Installation/Setup
    - License purchases
    - Activation fees
  - Recurring fees:
    - License
    - Equipment Manufacturer Maintenance Agreements
  - o Cost of new equipment
  - o Continued maintenance, monitoring, and restoration services broken down:
    - Monthly
    - Yearly

# E-RATE SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 established a fund by which Schools and Libraries across the Country could access discounts on eligible telecommunications products and services. The program is commonly known as the E-rate Program. The eligibility for discounts on internet access, telecommunications products and services, internal connection products, services and maintenance is determined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Funding is made available upon application approval by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), which was established by the Act. The amount of discount is based on the numbers of students eligible to receive free and reduced-price meals using the USDA's National School Lunch Program eligibility guidelines or another approved alternative measure of poverty.

#### **Funding**

The project herein may be contingent upon the approval of funding from the Universal Service Fund's Schools and Libraries Program, otherwise known as E-rate. Even after award of contract(s) and/or E-rate funding approval is obtained, the District may or may not proceed with the project, in whole or in part. Execution of the project, in whole or in part, is solely at the discretion of the District.



#### Service Provider Requirements

The Applicant expects Service Providers to make themselves thoroughly familiar with any rules or regulations regarding the E-rate program.

Service Providers are required to be in full compliance with all current requirements and future requirements issued by the SLD throughout the contractual period of any contract entered into as a result of this RFP.

Service Providers are responsible for providing a valid SPIN (Service Provider Identification Number or Form 498 ID) at the time the bid is submitted. More information about obtaining a SPIN/Form 498 ID may be found at this website: <u>https://www.usac.org/e-rate/service-providers/step-1-obtain-a-spin/</u>

Service Providers are responsible for providing a valid Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Registration Number (FCC RN) at the time the bid is submitted. More information about obtaining an FCC RN may be found at this website: <u>https://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do</u>

Service Providers are responsible for providing evidence of FCC Green Light Status at the time the bid is submitted. Any potential bidder found to be in Red Light Status will be disqualified from participation in the bidding process and will be considered non-responsive. More information about FCC Red and Green Light Status may be found at this website: <u>http://www.fcc.gov/debt\_collection/welcome.html</u>

Products and services must be delivered before billing can commence. At no time may the Service Provider invoice before July 1, 2022.

Prices will not increase for the duration of the associated E-rate Funding Year(s) or until all work associated with the project is complete (including any contractual and USAC approved extensions). It is also expected that should pricing for contracted services drop during the term of the contract, the Applicant will realize those cost savings.

Goods and services provided shall be clearly designated as "E-rate Eligible". Non-eligible goods and services shall be clearly called out as 100% non-eligible or shall be "cost allocated" to show the percentage of eligible costs per SLD guidelines.

In the event of questions during an E-rate pre-commitment review, post-commitment review and/or audit inquiry, the awarded Service Provider is expected to reply within 3 days to questions associated with its proposal.

Services providers must comply with the FCC rules for Lowest Corresponding Price ("LCP"). Further details on LCP may be obtained at USAC's website: <u>https://www.usac.org/e-rate/service-providers/step-2-responding-to-bids/lowest-corresponding-price/</u>.



#### Service Provider Acknowledgements

The Service Provider acknowledges that no change in the products and/or services specified in this document will be allowed without prior written approval from the Applicant and a USAC service substitution approval (with the exception of a Global Service Substitutions).

The Service Provider acknowledges that all pricing and technology infrastructure information in its bid shall be considered as public and non-confidential pursuant to §54.504 (2)(i)(ii).

The Service Provider acknowledges that its offer is considered to be the lowest corresponding price pursuant to § 54.511(b). Should it not be the lowest corresponding price, the service provider must disclose the conditions leading to the applicant being charged in excess of lowest corresponding price.

This offer is in full compliance with USAC's Free Services Advisory <u>https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant-process/competitive-bidding/free-services-advisory/</u> There are no free services offered that would predicate an artificial discount and preclude the applicant from paying its proportionate non-discounted share of costs. The service provider agrees to provide substantiating documentation to support this assertion should the applicant, USAC, or the FCC request it.

The Service Provider attests that its offer will not violate the FCC's Report and Order in the matter of "Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs", WC Docket No. 18-89, Action by the Commission November 22, 2019 by Report and Order, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Order (FCC 19-121) and be found can at https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-19-121A1.pdf.

#### Starting Services/Advance Installation – Category 1 Services

The annual E-rate Funding Year begins on July 1 and expires on June 30 of each calendar year. Regardless of the contract "effective date", E-rate eligible goods and/or services requested in this RFP shall be delivered no earlier than the start of the 2022 funding year (July 1, 2022). If Category 1 services (Telecommunication Services and Internet access) will begin on or shortly after July 1 of a funding year, the service provider, in some cases, may need to undertake some construction and installation work prior to the beginning of that funding year. Within the limitations indicated below, the infrastructure costs of a service provider can be deemed to be delivered at the same time that the associated Category 1 services begin. That is, if services begin on July 1, then the delivery of service provider infrastructure necessary for those services can be considered as also delivered on July 1. However, NO INVOICING can take place prior to July 1 of the associated Funding Year.



#### Early Funding Conditions

### Category 1

There are four conditions that must be met in order for USAC to provide support in a funding year for Category 1 infrastructure costs incurred prior to that funding year.

- Initiation of installation cannot take place before selection of the service provider pursuant to a posted Form 470 and in any event no earlier than six months prior to July 1 of the funding year.
- The Category 1 service must depend on the installation of the infrastructure.
- The underlying Category 1 service cannot have a service start date prior to July 1 of the funding year.
- No invoices can be submitted to USAC for reimbursement prior to July 1 of the funding year. 6 04(21-22)IT

For more information, please refer to the FCC Order involving the Nassau County Board of Cooperative Educational Services (DA 02-3365, released December 6, 2002). This FCC decision only applies to Priority 1 services (telecommunications services and Internet access).

The complete text can be found at the following URL:

https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant-process/starting-services/advance-installation/

# Category 2

There is one condition that allows USAC to provide support in a funding year for Category 2 installation costs incurred prior to that funding year.

 We also amend our rules for category two non-recurring services to permit applicants to seek support for category two eligible services purchased on or after April 1, three months prior to the start of funding year on July 1. This will provide schools with the flexibility to purchase equipment in preparation for the summer recess and provide the maximum amount of time during the summer to install these critical networks.

For more information, please refer to the FCC Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 14-99, released July 23, 2014). This FCC decision only applies to Category 2 services (Internal Connections). However, NO INVOICING can take place prior to July 1 of the funding year.

# Invoicing

The Service Provider agrees to bill and receive a portion of the payment for the provisions of goods and services described herein directly from USAC via the Form 474 Service Provider Invoice (SPI). The Applicant will only be responsible for paying its non-discounted share of costs and does not intend to use the BEAR process (Form 472). The maximum percentage the Applicant will be liable for is the pre-discount amount minus the funded amount as shown on the FCC Form 471 Block 5 and any identified ineligible costs. Upon the successful receipt or posting of a Funding Commitment Decision Letter from the SLD and submission



and, certification and USAC approval of FCC Form 486, the Applicant shall pay only the discounted amount beginning with the billing cycle immediately following said approval. Alternatively, should the Applicant decide that it is in the best interest of the Applicant to file a Form 472, the Applicant will inform the Service Provider of its intent.

All Service Provider invoicing to USAC must be completed within 120 days from the last day of service. Should the Service Provider fail to invoice USAC in a timely manner, the Applicant will only be responsible for paying its non-discounted share.

# FCC/SLD Auditability

The E-rate program requires that all records be retained for at least ten (10) years from the last date of service provided on a particular funding request. Service Provider hereby agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relative to any Agreement/Contract resulting from this RFP for ten (10) years after receipt of service(s). The Applicant, its authorized agents, and/or auditors reserves the right to perform or have performed an audit of the records of the Service Provider and therefore shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials within a reasonable period of time during said period.

## Procurement of Additional Goods and/or Services/Coterminous Expiration

During the term of any Agreement resulting from this RFP, the District may elect to procure additional or like goods and/or services offered by the Respondent. Such services shall be negotiated and obtained via an official amendment to this Agreement and approval by the District's Governing Board. All terms, conditions, warranties, obligations, maintenance and support of said goods or services shall have a coterminous expiration date with the original date of this Agreement. The District shall not enter into a separate Agreement for said goods or services. Respondents must state in their proposal that they acknowledge, accept and are in agreement with coterminous expiration conditions.



Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade

# SHIPPING LABEL

This label should be affixed to the outside of the package when submitted in response to this request.

FROM:	

		Package	of
SHIP TO:	Rockwall Independent School District Attn: Jana Hunter, Director of Purchasing 1050 Williams Street		
	Rockwall, TX 75087		
CONTENTS:	BID RESPONSE		
BID NUMBER:	RFCSP 2122.02-001		
BID TITLE:	Wi-Fi- Infrastructure Upgrade		
BID DUE DATE	E:March 4, 2022		
TIME DUE:	2:00 P.M. (CST)		

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## **OFFER FORM**

This form should serve as the cover to all responses; failure to sign may result in disgualification.

RFCSP 2122.02-001 Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade
March 4, 2022 – 2:00 P.M.
Rockwall Independent School District
Jana Hunter, Director of Purchasing
1050 Williams Street
Rockwall, Texas 75087

The undersigned authorized representative of the responding company indicated below hereby acknowledges;

- That he/she is authorized to enter into contractual relationship on behalf of the responding company indicated below;
- That he/she has carefully examined this document in its entirety;
- That he/she proposes to supply any products/services submitted under this solicitation at the prices quoted and in strict compliance with all terms, policies and procedures, unless any exceptions are noted;
- That any all and all exceptions have been noted in writing in the response and that no other exception will be claimed;
- The accuracy of all certifications which accompany this offer;
- The stated organization is an equal opportunity employer;
- That the organization has not been a party to any collusion among offer/vendors in restraint of freedom
  of competition by agreement to offer at a fixed price or to refrain from offering; or with any RISD employee,
  Board Trustee, or consultant as to quantity, quality, or price in the prospective contract, or in any terms
  of the prospective contract except in any authorized discussion(s) with RISD's Purchasing personnel; or
  in any discussions or actions between offer/vendors and any RISD employee, Board Trustee, or
  consultant concerning exchange of money or other things of value for special consideration in the award
  of this contract.
- That the prices in this offer have been determined independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter related to such prices, with any other vendor or with any competitor;
- That notice of award and/or any communication regarding an award will be submitted via RISD and not by any consultant, contractor or other party involved in this solicitation.
- Receipt of Addenda, or lack thereof:
  - None: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)
  - # 1: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)
  - # 2: (initial)
  - # 3: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)
  - # 4: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

Name of Company:	Date:
Signature of Authorized Rep:	Printed Name:
Position or Title:	Phone:
Email:	Fax:



# VENDOR DATA

FOR PURCHASE ORDER: ORDERING ADDRESS INFORMATION		
Company Name:		
Address:		
City, State, Zip:		
Contact Person:		
Title:		
Phone:		
Fax:		
Email address:		
May we submit orders via email:		
Email address, if different:		

FOR PAYMENTS: REMITTANCE ADDRESS INFORMATION		
Company Name:		
Address:		
City, State, Zip:		
Contact Person:		
Title:		
Phone:		
Fax:		
Email address:		
If payment via VISA credit card is accepted, please provide Name, Phone Number and Email for Accounts Receivable contact. Also, please indicate if there is a maximum dollar amount for what you will accept via credit card:		
Contact Informa	ation:	Maximum Allowance:
If payment via VISA credit card is a contact. Also, please indicate if the	re is a maximum dollar a	mount for what you will accept via credit card:

## **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

If the vendor holds a contract with any of the following, please circle and provide contract number(s) as applicable.

Allied States / Choice Partners / CTPA / DIR / E&I / EPCNT / Houston Galveston Area Council NCPA / Omnia / PACE / TASB Buy Board / TIPS-USA



# **REFERENCE SHEET**

Reference 1	
School District Name:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email Address:	

Reference 2	
School District Name:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email Address:	

Reference 3	
School District Name:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Fax Number:	
Email Address:	



## VENDOR CERTIFICATIONS

#### FELONY CONVICTION AND CRIMINAL HISTORY NOTICE

Statutory citation covering notification of criminal history of contractor is found in the Texas Education Code 44.034. State of Texas Legislative Senate Bill No. 1, Section 44.034, Notification of Criminal History, Subsection (a), states "a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give advance notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony."

Subsection (b) states "a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by Subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract."

 Publicly-Held Corporation (Notice Not Required)
 Firm is NOT owned or operated by convicted felon
 Firm IS owned or operated by convicted felon

## CONFIDENTIALITY DECLARATION

Any portion of the response considered to be confidential or contain proprietary information, or to contain trade secrets, must be marked accordingly. This designation may not necessarily guarantee the non-release of the information under the Public Information Act or as otherwise required by law, but does provide the District with a means to review the issues thoroughly and, if justified, request an opinion by the Attorney General's office prior to releasing any information requested under the Public Information Act.

Packet DOES contain confidential information, as marked Packet DOES NOT contain confidential information

## INTER-LOCAL AGREMEENTS WITH OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Rockwall ISD is a member of the Central Texas Purchasing Alliance (CTPA) and the Education Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas (EPCNT), each serving as an alliance of over 100 school districts in Texas representing millions of students, sharing information, services and contractual opportunities. A list of member districts can be found on the RISD Purchasing webpage.

In support of this collaborative effort, all awards made by Rockwall ISD may be adopted by other active member districts in either (or both) of the identified entities. By adopting a contract from another member district, the adopting district has met the competitive bidding requirements established by the Texas Education Code, Section 44.031 (a)(4). While there is no obligation to participate, doing so will streamline the public purchasing process and cut costs to the public. It will also keep vendors from having to answer multiple bids for many school districts for the same product(s) or services, thereby saving the vendors resources.

All purchases by members and participants other than Rockwall ISD will be billed directly to that entity and paid by that entity. Rockwall ISD will not be responsible for another entity's debts. Each governmental entity will order its own materials/services as necessary and according their policies.

Does vendor agree: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No



Wi-Fi Infrastructure Upgrade

#### COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE INSURANCE

Bidder will be able to furnish a valid insurance certificate reflecting as Certificate Holder: Rockwall ISD, 1050 Williams Street, Rockwall TX 75087. The vendor shall provide and maintain insurance in a company rated no less than an "A" by A.M. Best Company.

Vendor is aware of all costs to provide insurance, will do so pending contract award, and will provide a valid insurance certificate as describe within this solicitation.

Does vendor agree: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

#### INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

Except as otherwise expressly provided, respondent shall defend, indemnify and hold RISD harmless from and against all claims, liability, loss and expenses, including reasonable costs, collection expenses, and attorney's fees incurred, which arise by reason of the acts or omissions of respondent, its agents or employees in the performance of its obligation under this contract.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE/DEVIATION

Unless otherwise stated, this proposal complies with all specifications and/or scope of work contained in the solicitation document. Any deviations from any part of this solicitation shall be listed on a separate page as provided by the respondent with detailed conditions and information. RISD will consider any deviations in its evaluation, and reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations.

Response is in full compliance: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No (Deviations must be detailed on a separate page)

## TOXIC CONTROL COMPLIANCE

Rockwall Independent School District has established Management Plans for ensuring a high level of environmental air quality through its Operations Department. All contractors performing construction projects for RISD must familiarize themselves with these Management Plans and comply prior to the beginning of any awarded construction project. RISD employees are available to review such Plans and assist in interpretation and understanding its Asbestos Management Plans at any time prior to beginning construction.

Certification of non-use of Asbestos and Lead Containing Materials is required by all General and Sub-Contractors for all construction projects, by State and Federal regulations which RISD is subject to. Completion of this Affidavit is mandatory <u>before</u> final payment on a project will be made. Complete this certificate, have it notarized and submit it with your application for final payment, certifying that no materials used in conjunction with this project contain asbestos or lead in any form and that all Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) have been supplied to Owner before submitting application for final payment.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No



## CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires service contractors to obtain criminal history record information regarding covered employees and to certify to the District that they have done so. Covered employees with disqualifying convictions are prohibited from serving at a school district.

*Covered employees*: All employees of a contractor who have or will have continuing duties related to the service to be performed at the District and have or will have direct contact with students; The District will be the final arbiter of what constitutes direct contact with students.

*Disqualifying conviction*: One of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school: (a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; or (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

\_\_\_\_\_ None of the Contractor's employees are covered employees, as defined above.

\_\_\_\_\_ Some or all of Contractor's employees are covered employees. If this box is selected, I further certify that:

\_\_\_\_\_ Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information, through the Texas Department of Public Safety, regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying conviction. Contractor has taken reasonable steps to ensure that its employees who are not covered employees do not have continuing duties related to the contract services or direct contact with students.

\_\_\_\_\_ If Contractor receives information that a covered employee has a disqualifying conviction, Contractor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the District in writing within 3 business days.

\_\_\_\_\_\_Upon request, Contractor will make available for the District's inspection the criminal history record information of any covered employee. If the District objects to the assignment of a covered employee on the basis of the covered employee's criminal history record information, Contractor agrees to discontinue using that covered employee to provide services at the District.

## MWBE/HUB CERTIFICATION

A bidder/proposer that has been certified as a Minority/Women Business Enterprise (also known as "Historically Underutilized Business" or "HUB") is encouraged to indicate its MWBE certification status when responding to this Bid/Proposal. If so, please provide the Certificate Number and Name of Certifying Agency.

Does vendor claim: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No



This section applies to a contract that: (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

#### CERTIFICATION OF SB 252, SECTION 2252 TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

This section applies to contracts with companies engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or foreign terrorist organization is prohibited. A governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 806.051, 807.051 or 2252.153. The comptroller shall prepare and maintain, and make available to each governmental entity, a list of companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies and services to a foreign terrorist organization.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

#### CERTIFICATION OF SB 13, SECTION 2274 TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

This section applies to contracts that (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the government entity. A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods and services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott energy companies; and \*(2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## CERTIFICATION OF SB 19, SECTION 2274 TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

This section applies only to a contract that: (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with at least 10 full-time employees: and (2) has a value of at least \$100,000 that is paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. Except as provided by Subsection (c) and Section 2274.003, a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for the purchase of goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or direction that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. Subsection (b) does not apply to a governmental entity that (1) contracts with a sole-source provider; or (2) does not receive any bids from a company that is able to provide the written verification required by that subsection.

Does vendor affirm: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No



## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Effective January 1, 2006, any person or entity who contracts or seeks to contract with RISD for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services (as well as agents of such persons) (hereafter referred to as Vendors) are required to file a Conflict of Interest Questionnaire with the District. Each covered person or entity who seeks to or who contracts with RISD is responsible for complying with any applicable disclosure requirements. Forms received by the District become public records immediately and the law requires school districts that maintain web sites to place these records on the District's web site.

The Conflict of Questionnaire must be filed:

No later than the seventh business day after the date that the Vendor begins contract discussions or negotiations with the government entity, or submits to the entity an application, response to a request for proposal or bid, correspondence, or other writing related to a potential agreement with the entity.

The vendor also shall file an updated questionnaire not later than September 1 of each year in which a covered transaction is pending, and the seventh day after the date of an event that would make a statement in the questionnaire incomplete and inaccurate.

Note: A vendor is not required to file an updated questionnaire if the person had filed an updated statement on or after June 1, but before September 1 of the year.

Completed forms should be sent to:

Rockwall Independent School District Attn.: Purchasing Department 1050 Williams Street Rockwall, Texas 75087

The Local Government Officers of the Rockwall Independent School District are:

# The Rockwall ISD website provides a list of Local Government Officers, Superintendent and other Personnel

Does vendor claim a conflict of interest: \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Yes If yes, please provide CIQ form (available for download from the Texas Ethics Commission website).

## **IRS FORM W9**

This is a required form by the IRS for government entities that pay vendors in excess of \$600.00 annually in order to issue a 1099 form and is required in conjunction with the reporting requirements by the Internal Revenue Service.

Vendor will provide: \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Yes





# ROCKWALL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSER/VENDOR CERTIFICATION FORMS REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS – APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR PART 200

The following provisions are required and apply when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process. The Rockwall ISD is the sub-grantee or sub-recipient by definition. In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, Rockwall ISD reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

(B) Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or sub-grantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000). Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, Rockwall ISD reserves the right to immediately terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process in the event of a breach or default of the agreement by Vendor, in the event vendor fails to: (1) meet schedules, deadlines, and/or delivery dates within the time specified in the procurement solicitation, contract, and/or a purchase order; (2) make any payments owed; or (3) otherwise perform in accordance with the contract and/or the procurement solicitation. Rockwall ISD also reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to vendor, for convenience, if Rockwall ISD believes, in its sole discretion that it is in the best interest of Rockwall ISD to do so. The vendor will be compensated for work performed and accepted and goods accepted by Rockwall ISD as of the termination date if the contract is terminated for convenience of Rockwall ISD. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and Rockwall ISD reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of Rockwall ISD. ISD.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

(C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Dept. of Labor". Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal opportunity incorporated by reference herein.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor



(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or sub-recipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violation to the Federal awarding agency. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, during the term of an award for all contracts and sub-grants for construction or repair, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Rockwall ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

(F) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or sub-recipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or sub-recipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Rockwall ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements as referenced in Federal Rule.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor



(G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended— Contracts and sub-grants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251- 1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Rockwall ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements as referenced in Federal Rule.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Rockwall ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

- (I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. Pursuant to Federal Rule, when federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term and after the awarded term of an award for all contracts by Rockwall ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). The undersigned further certifies that:
  - (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid for on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
  - (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions.
  - (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered sub-awards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor



## RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS PAID FOR WITH FEDERAL FUNDS - 2 CFR § 200.333

When federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333. The vendor further certifies that vendor will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or sub-grantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.

#### Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

## CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH EPA REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO GRANTS, SUB-GRANTS, COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS, AND CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 OF FEDERAL FUNDS

When federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process in excess of \$100,000, the vendor certifies that the vendor is in compliance with all applicable standards, orders, regulations, and/or requirements issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1857(h)), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 117389 and Environmental Protection Agency Regulation, 40 CFR Part 15.

#### Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

#### CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

When federal funds are expended by Rockwall ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that the vendor will be in compliance with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

### CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICA PROVISIONS

Vendor certifies that vendor is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

#### CERTIFICATION OF NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT

Vendor certifies under penalty of perjury that its response to this procurement solicitation is in all respects bona fide, fair, and made without collusion or fraud with any person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other business or legal entity.

Does vendor agree? YES \_\_\_\_\_ Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor

Vendor agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, as applicable. It is further acknowledged that vendor certifies compliance with all provisions, laws, acts, regulations, etc. as specifically noted above.

Vendor's Name/Company Name:	
Address, City, State, and Zip Code:	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:
Printed Name and Title of Authorized Repre	sentative:
Email Address:	
Signature of Authorized Representative:	
Date: Fee	eral Tax ID #

