

Board of Education

INFORMATION

TITLE: Current Proposals, Bids and Renewal

DATE: April 24, 2020

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Charles Warren, CFO

VISION 2023 STRATEGY: Strategy 6. Technology

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The following is information related to current bids and proposals. Award status may be pending agreement on final pricing and contract.

1. District Wide Area Network (WAN) E-Rate Category 1

Requested by: Mr. Vance Gregory, Executive Director of Technology

Selection Method: Request for Proposal

Funding Source: Operating Funds Award: Cox Communications

Bid Count: Three (One Local and Two National Vendors)

Additional Information: This is a 5-year contract to provide the District's WAN and is supplemented by Federal E-Rate funding. The new contract increases the speed of the intercampus computer network by a factor of ten over the current network. The speed increase will help boost our VOIP Phone initiative and Disaster Recovery methods. The District's current Wide Area Network (WAN) contract will expire June 30th, 2020, at which time this new contracted service will begin.

2. <u>Campus Local Area Network (LAN) Hardware E-Rate Category 2</u>

Requested by: Mr. Vance Gregory, Executive Director of Technology

Selection Method: Request for Proposal

Funding Source: Operating Funds

Award: CDW

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4. Learning Environment/Facilities: Align resources, facilities and technology strategically and equitably across the district to maximize security and enhance the learning environment. 5. Staffing: Recruit and retain highly-qualified faculty, staff and administration. 6. Technology: Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction.

7. Wellness: Develop and train empathetic and nurturing employees to be sensitive to and supportive of the needs of all children and families.

Bid Count: Three (All National Vendors)

Additional Information: This bid is to procure Local Area Network (LAN) equipment for 2 Secondary schools and 4 elementary schools. The LAN equipment on all 6 campuses will be replaced in order to provide current and future network bandwidth needs, as well as maintain vendor support and up-to-date equipment. Purchases will be made once Federal E-Rate funding is approved for these projects. Funding for this project is supplemented by Federal E-Rate funding at a discount rate of 80% of the total cost.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information item. No recommendation is required.

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