## DISD Technology Office is requesting School Board approval on E-rate Bids

## HISTORY

For the past 12 years we have applied for and received Federal E-rate funding assistance on certain Technology related expenses. To date we have received just under \$ 675,000 in E-rate assistance (on the average that is over \$ 56,000 per year). For the 2012-2013 funding year we are expecting over \$ 85,000 in Erate assistance but it will be June or July 2012 before we know the exact amount of assistance we will receive.

## CURRENT YEAR REQUESTS NEEDING SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL

<u>Web Hosting</u>: We received notices from 6 companies expressing interest in hosting our website. We would like to award this contract to our current Web Hosting provider. Accordingly we are asking the School Board approve the contract with **EDLINE**.

Total annual cost of webhosting is \$7,732.80. Dalhart ISD's total anticipated annual cost after E-rate is **\$ 2,076.26**.

**Phone Service:** We received notices of interest from 3 companies expressing interest providing phone service for DISD. We would like to award this contract to our current provider. Accordingly we are asking the School Board approve the contract with **XIT Telephone**.

Note: Phone Service includes all Telephone Lines and Long Distance, and Fiber Lines between the campuses.

Total annual cost of Phone Service is approximately \$68,000.00. Dalhart ISD's total anticipated annual cost after E-rate is **\$ 15,650.00**.

<u>Video Conferencing</u>: This contract is for service that goes directly to Region 16 but from there it allows us to connect to any other video conference being offered. Accordingly we are asking the School Board approve the contract with **Region 16**.

Total annual cost of Video Conferencing is approximately \$8,000.00. Dalhart ISD's total anticipated annual cost after E-rate is **\$ 2,302.00**.

Internet Access: In the 2010-2011 E-rate funding cycle, we signed a 3-year commitment for data circuits with Region 16. This contract expires on June 30, 2013. We currently have a 20Mb broadband connection that uses these circuits. Accordingly we are asking the School Board approve this contract with **Region 16**.

Total annual cost of Internet Service contract is approximately \$29,400. Dalhart ISD's total anticipated annual cost after E-rate is \$ 6,762.00.

Summary:	Estimated Telecommunication Costs for 2012-2013 is	\$ 113,132.80
	Estimated/Expected Cost paid by DISD	\$ 26,790.26
	Total Estimated Savings from E-rate	\$ 86,342.54