

Denton Independent School District
Network Infrastructure Additions & Refresh

February 25, 2020

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of RFP #2002-01 E-Rate - Network Infrastructure Additions & Refresh. District purchase is contingent upon receipt of the E-Rate funding award.

BOARD GOAL:

Growth & Management - Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

RFP# 2002-01 E-Rate - Network Infrastructure Additions & Refresh was issued on January 15, 2020, pending E-Rate funding for fiscal year 2020. Nine (9) total responses were received by DISYS Solutions, Inc., Layer 3 Communications, LLC, Netsync Network Solutions, NextSteps Innovations, Red River Technology LLC, and Technology for Education (TFE) with Layer 3 Communications, Netsync Network Solutions, and Red River Technology LLC submitting alternative proposals.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

Passage of this purchase will provide upgraded wireless access points for the available campuses (approximately half of the campuses). The remaining campuses will receive upgraded equipment through the 2018 bond program. The Wireless Upgrade project is funded in the second bond sale scheduled for 2020.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

Onetime cost of approximately \$1,701,502.30 to be borne through the 2018 Bond Authorization. Remaining costs (approximate) will be borne by the FCC E-Rate Program. This purchase is contingent upon receiving the E-Rate funding award.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Approval of this purchase will allow the district to maximize our available E-Rate funding provided through this Federal program. For E-Rate eligible solutions, the federally managed E-Rate program pays approximately 60 percent of the project cost.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board approve the recommendation for award to Netsync Network Solutions for the purchase of network infrastructure additions and refresh at a cost to the District of approximately \$1,701,502.30 to proceed upon receipt of the E-Rate funding award pending available funds.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Ernie Stripling, Technology Information Officer
Robert Pierce, Information Systems Officer
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing
Cassandra Kay, Senior Buyer

ATTACHMENT:

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APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____