

Request for Proposal
NCPS 2019 Firewall RFP

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Nebraska City Public Schools

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Nebraska City, NE 68410

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Description of Project

Nebraska City Public Schools is looking to replace our current firewall which is a Cipafilter CF50 model I4140.

Project Specifications

1.1 Firewall Specifications

Our future needs require a Cipafilter CF350 model H6180 or equivalent model with the following specifications.

- 2+ 10GB SFP+ Ports
- 4+ 1 GBe Ports
- Application Firewall
- Real time application reporting
- Multi-gateway fail-over, and load balancing
- Stateful firewall and port forwarding
- L2TP/PPTP/IPsec VPN
- High Availability
- Threat Protection
- Packet Capturing/Inspection

Proposal Specifications

2.1 Proposal Expectations

All bidding vendors must be E-rate eligible and have an updated Form 473 (SPAC) on file to provide the services requested and provide their Service Provider's Form 498 ID (formally known as SPIN) as part of this RFP. Vendors may submit multiple proposals with different models meeting the specifications.

2.2 Purchase Contingency

The purchase of any or all goods or services, MAY be contingent upon the award of funding (a funding commitment decision letter) from the Schools and Libraries Division of USAC for the 2019 E-Rate Funding Year.

RFP Process

3.1 Calendar of Events

Event	Date & Time
Filing of FCC Form 470 & Release of RFP	January 28, 2019
Last day to submit inquiries	February 13, 2019
Questions and Clarifications post to website	February 15, 2019
Closing Date/Time to Receive Proposals	February 26, 2019 @ 1:00 PM
Proposal Opening	February 26, 2019 @ 2:30 PM
Approval of Proposal	March 8, 2019
Notification of Award	March 8, 2019

3.2 Evaluation Rubric

Please refer to Appendix A for details regarding the evaluation process.

3.3 Discrepancies and Omissions

Vendors finding discrepancies or omissions in the RFP or having any doubts as to the meaning or intent of any part thereof shall submit such questions or concerns to Christopher Fletcher (See contact information in section 3.7). Addenda issued in correspondence to this RFP shall be considered a part of this RFP and shall become part of any final contract that may be derived from this RFP. It is the bidder's responsibility to assure that all addenda have been reviewed.

3.4 Contingencies

This RFP should not be considered as a contract to purchase goods or services, but is a Request for Proposal in accordance with the Terms and Conditions herein and will not necessarily give rise to a contract. RFP responses should be as detailed and complete as possible to facilitate the formation of a contract based on the RFP response(s) that are pursued should Nebraska City Public Schools decide to do so. Proposals stating that pricing is valid dependent upon availability and/or subject to prior sale will be considered as non-responsive. Completion of the

table in section 4 is or similarly formatted proposal is required. Failure to do so will disqualify your RFP response submission.

Nebraska City Public Schools may, at its discretion, choose to cancel its offer for the purchase of any and all goods or services requested in this proposal if E-Rate funding is not approved by USAC, there is a reduction in funding, there are changes in the physical structure of a school (i.e., renovations, demolitions), or for any reason.

3.5 Questions and Clarifications

Questions should be addressed, no later than Wednesday, February 13, 2019, to Christopher Fletcher (see section 3.6)

Submitted questions and answers will be posted on district website (<http://www.nebcityps.org/>) under the menu item Home > RFPs/Erate by Friday, February 15, 2019.

3.6 RFP Contact

Christopher Fletcher
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Nebraska City, NE 68410
Phone: 402-873-1870
Email: cfletcher@nebcityps.org

3.7 Proposal Deadline and Submission

Proposals are due in either hardcopy or in electronic form (PDF format) on or before **1:00 P.M. Tuesday February 26, 2019** at the postal or email address of Christopher Fletcher (see section 3.6). E-mailed proposal documents will be time-stamped from the receiving computer.

4.1 Bid Sheet

The proposal should include all hardware, software licenses and warranties. Detail requested hardware in bid sheet. Any other costs should be listed under other. Attach an itemized, detailed quotation for all items. Label the quotation: NCPS 2019 Firewall RFP

Vendor Name: _____

Item	Description if Item/Fee	Item Total
Firewall		\$
Yearly Fees		\$
Other		\$
Total Costs		\$

Appendix A: Evaluation Rubric

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- 1. Price of the Eligible Services35 points _____**
- 2. Proposal Specifications.....30 points _____**
- 3. Proposal Recurring Costs.....20 points _____**
- 4. Vendor/Product Experience.....15 points _____**

Evaluating Team

Proposals will be evaluated by Christopher Fletcher, Technology Coordinator, and two other representatives.

Evaluator Name: _____

Evaluation Date ___/___/___

Evaluator Signature _____

Proposal ___ of ___