Request for Proposal

Contract for

E-rate Eligible

Fiber Internet Service

FCC Form 470#210023872

Earlimart Elementary School District

Technology Department 785 E Center Ave. Earlimart, CA 93219 erate@earlimart.org

DUE DATE MARCH 19, 2021, 4:00 P.M. Pacific Time

Purpose and Scope of Request for Proposal

Earlimart Elementary School District (Earlimart School District, ESD) is seeking proposals for Internet Services starting in E-rate funding year 2021.

Fiber Internet Access should be a minimum of 1 Gbps and include pricing to increase to a maximum of 10 Gbps.

Proposals need to include installation and configuration costs as well as all components and equipment required to provide the Internet service at the Service Location listed below.

Proposals should cover the three (3) year time period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 plus two (2) additional one (1) year optional extensions.

Questions about this proposal must be received by March 4^{th} , 2021 at 1:00 P.M. using the contact information below. Questions will receive public answers posted to ESD's website no later than March 5^{th} , 2021 at 4:00 P.M.

Proposals must be received by March 19th, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. Proposals received after this deadline will NOT be considered. Please send all proposals either electronically via email (erate@earlimart.org) or by mail to the Contact Address listed below.

Proposals must include a vendor Service Provider Information Number (SPIN) and Federal Registration Number (FRN).

ESD will post this RFP and complete FCC Form 470 on the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) E-rate Productivity Center (EPC) portal. The RFP will also be posted on ESD's website at https://www.earlimart.org/o/district/page/technology--488.

Service Location

Earlimart School District Office 785 E. Center Ave. Earlimart, CA 93219

Contact Address

Earlimart School District Technology Department PO BOX 11970 Earlimart, CA 93219 (661) 849-3386 erate@earlimart.org

Projected Timeline

RFP Published/Form 470 Posted - 2/19/2021 Questions Due - 3/4/2021 (1:00 P.M.) Answer Posting (ESD Website) - 3/5/2021 (4:00 P.M.) Proposal Due Date - 3/19/2021 (4:00 P.M.) Service Start Date - 7/1/2021

General Terms and Conditions

The award of the contract is contingent upon approval of funding from USAC.

Estimated Discount is 90% for ESD.

Proposals are due by the dates and times listed above.

All submitted proposals are considered public and non-confidential. Submitted proposals will not be returned.

Ineligible items must be clearly identified in the proposal.

ESD is not responsible for any proposals that are lost or fail to arrive before the due date, either electronically or via mail.

Proposals should include contact information for the nearest support agent.

The awarded vendor or service provider agrees to bill and receive from ESD the non-discounted portion of the service price. Vendor or service provide will bill USAC for the discount portion of the service price.

The awarded vendor or service provider agrees to abide by all applicable policies of the Universal Service Discount Program.

In the event of questions or an audit from USAC, the awarded vendor or service provider is expected to respond within three (3) business days.

ESD reserves the right to award all, none, or select portions of the proposals.

Basis of Selection

The Contract for Service will be awarded to the vendor or service provider whose proposal is determined to be in the best interest of ESD and our students. Proposals will be evaluated based on the following:

- E-rate eligible price.
- Prior experience with vendor or service provider.
- Location of vendor or service provider support resources.
- Completeness of proposal.
- Compatibility with existing infrastructure.