Request for Proposals
RFP ASD-12-VoIP

Interconnected VoIP Services

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1.0 INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

Ashland School District 5 (ASD5), hereinafter is referred to as "The District," requests proposals from Vendors to provide:

Interconnected VoIP Services

The District is seeking a vendor to provide priority one Interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) service to supplement or replace all existing telecommunications service and equipment. The District will consider either one proposal for all Interconnected VoIP telephone services and equipment or separate proposals by provider service areas. This request will continue, supplement or replace all existing telecommunications services and equipment for the District, including DS 1, ISDN-PRI, ISDN-BRI, analog trunk, POTS lines, local telecommunications services, long distance telecommunication services, PBX equipment and telephone handset equipment.

Proposals will be accepted during the twenty-eight (28) day period that the District's E-Rate 470 Request for Service is posted on the World Wide Web page of the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) (http://www.usac.org/sld/). Proposals must be received at the issuing office address listed below no later than 2:00 P.M. PST on January 13, 2012. It is the intent of Ashland School District 5 to utilize E-Rate program discounts to purchase the above referenced eligible equipment and services. Consequently, this purchase and procurement is 100% dependent on E-Rate funding and will not proceed without the District receiving approval from the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) to proceed.

The District reserves the right to choose one or more Vendors to provide the services listed in the RFP. The District further reserves the right to accept Vendor proposals in whole or in part, therefore having the flexibility to select equipment and services that best meet the needs of the District.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

Hereinafter, each company receiving this Request for Proposals is referred to as a "Vendor."

1.3 ISSUING OFFICE

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1.4 KEY DATES

Listed below are the important events and the target dates and project timeline:

A. Issuance of RFP November 29, 2011

B. Return of Receipt Confirmation Form Upon Receipt of RFP

C. Pre-submittal Question Period November 29 – January 12, 2012

D. Response to RFP Due January 13, 2012, at 2:00 P.M.

E. Proposal Opening January 13, 2012, at 2:01 P.M.


G. Notification of Selected Vendor January 20, 2012

1.5 CLOSING DATE AND TIME

Responses to this Request for Proposals, signed by the Vendor's authorized representative, must be received by the Issuing Office, not later than 2:00 P.M. Pacific Standard Time, January 13, 2012. Please note, no facsimile or e-mailed proposal responses will be accepted.

1.6 VENDOR'S QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

Interested Vendors may call the issuing office for an appointment to visit District facilities and meet with District staff regarding questions pertaining to this Request for Proposals. The District reserves the right to limit the number of representatives attending such meetings.

1.7 VENDORS SOLUTION DEMONSTRATION

Interested Vendors will call the issuing office for an appointment to demonstrate the proposed solution at District facilities. During the demonstration district staff will evaluate and score the proposed solution on: Ease of use, Ease of management, Ease of expansion, The District reserves the right to limit the number of representatives attending such meetings.

1.8 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

The original copy of the Vendor's proposal, complete with specification sheets along with two (2) additional copies and one (1) electronic (PDF) copy on a USB Flash Drive, must be submitted to the Issuing Office on or before the closing date. Faxed or e-mailed replies will not be accepted.
Each proposal shall be accompanied by the following items:

1. Proposal Response Form (Attachment A2);
2. E-Rate Eligible Project Costs (Attachment A3);
3. Non E-Rate Eligible Project Costs (Attachment A4);
4. Proposal Detail for Circuit Recurring/Non-Recurring Charges (Attachment A5) or a similar detailed list;
5. Non-Collusion Affidavit (Attachment A6);
6. A written proposal including all items listed in Section 3.0 of this RFP;
7. FCC Registration Number (FRN) and proof of Green Light Status from the FCC.
8. References and Letters of Recommendation;

Proposals will not be accepted after the closing date and time. Vendors may not make modifications to their proposals after the closing date and time, except as may be allowed by the District as qualified in Sections 1.9, 1.10 and 1.12. The District will not be obligated in any way by the Vendor’s response to the Request for Proposals. The Vendor’s proposal and all supporting documents will remain at the District and will not be returned. Vendor shall also submit its proposal on a USB Flash Drive in Portable Document Format (PDF) format. Vendor costs related to preparing and issuing the Request for Proposals response and any subsequent negotiations with the District will be entirely the responsibility of the Vendor. All such documentation may be reproduced by the District, provided that such reproduction is made solely for internal use or for any purpose required by law.

1.9 INQUIRIES AND CHANGES

All inquiries regarding this Request for Proposals are to be submitted in writing (facsimile is acceptable) and directed to the Issuing Office. All questions and responses will be distributed to all Vendors in a timely manner.

It is the responsibility of each Vendor to inquire about and clarify any requirements of this Request for Proposals which are not understood.

It is the responsibility of each Vendor to make themselves thoroughly familiar with any rules or regulations regarding the E-rate program.

Vendors must obtain their own information on all matters and things that may in any way influence them in making their Proposal and fixing prices.

If a Vendor discovers any inconsistency, discrepancy, ambiguity, errors, or omissions in this Request for Proposals, it must notify the District immediately in writing.

The District may, at any time, make and stipulate changes to this Request for Proposals.

The District may provide additional information, clarification or modification by written addenda. All addenda shall be incorporated into and become part of this Request for Proposals. The District shall not be bound by oral or other informal explanations or clarifications not contained in written addenda.

1.10 MODIFICATIONS
Any Vendor desiring to change or modify its proposal must do so in writing prior to the closing date and time. All modifications must be submitted in sealed envelopes bearing on the outside the name of the Vendor, their address, and the RFP number and name of the project for which the proposal is submitted. It is the sole responsibility of the Vendor to see that its proposal is received in a timely manner. Any proposal received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals will be returned to the Vendor unopened.

1.11 ERASURES

The proposal submitted must not contain any erasures, interlineations, or other corrections unless each such correction is suitably authenticated by affixing in the margin immediately opposite the correction the surname or surnames of the persons signing the proposal.

1.12 BASIS OF SELECTION

Cost will be the most heavily weighted factor in selecting the awarded vendor. The District will score each weighted factor on a 1-5 scale, 5 being highest. The Weighted scores will be added and the highest total score will be selected. If the district decides to select portions of the proposal (i.e., Priority one eligible, Priority 2 eligible, non E-Rate eligible) the same scoring rubric will be applied to all portions of all proposals. The District will evaluate proposals from Vendors on the basis of:

1. 15% - The Vendor's cost proposal.

2. 10% - The Vendor's capability to provide a high quality solution as described in the technical documentation supplied by the Vendor in response to this RFP.

3. 8% - The Vendor's relevant experience, qualifications and success in providing Interconnected VoIP Services.

4. 10% - The quality of the proposal, specifically: Proposals shall be prepared in a straightforward manner, and shall describe the Vendor's offering(s) and equipment capabilities in a format that is reasonably consistent, comprehensible, and appropriate to the purpose.

5. 8% - The quality and duration of the Vendor's proposed warranty period, specifically: items covered; period covered; items not covered; preventative maintenance plan; remedial maintenance response time; availability of trained technicians and parts; equipment upgrades; software maintenance (if applicable); engineering support; training and certification of district personnel; and any other factor that should be considered by the District in evaluating this area of the Vendor's proposal.

6. 8% - The Vendor's after-warranty support program, specifically: preventative maintenance plan; remedial maintenance response time; availability of trained technicians and parts; system hardware enhancements and upgrades; software maintenance and support; engineering support; maintenance agreements; training and certification of district personnel; and any other factor that should be considered by the District in evaluating this area of the Vendor's quotations.
7. 8% - The contractual terms proposed by the Vendor which would govern any contractual relationship with the District.

8. 8% - The Vendor’s references (minimum of three) and written letters of recommendation from institutions which are comparable to the District.

9. 7% - The uniqueness or innovative aspects of the Vendor’s proposal which are not contained in this Request for Proposals but are advantageous to the District.

10. 8% - Availability of just-in-time-delivery and installation services, and the ability of the Vendor to provide satisfactory services in this area as determined solely by the District.

11. 10% - Results of the evaluation of vendor’s demonstration.

1.13 WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

Any Vendor may withdraw its proposal either personally by written request, or by telephone request confirmed in writing at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for the receipt of proposals.

1.14 CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The District has outlined mandatory contractual provisions that will govern any subsequent contract issued. Mandatory provisions cannot be modified in the Vendor’s proposal.

Mandatory Contractual Provisions are listed in Section 4.0.

If the Vendor has any mandatory provisions or wishes to incorporate or use any Vendor standard terms and conditions, the Vendor shall append such materials to the proposal and indicate thereon any mandatory provisions contained therein. These will then be considered in the selection process. Unless a Vendor expressly and specifically provides otherwise in its written proposal, submittal of a proposal in response to this RFP shall automatically be deemed to constitute the Vendor’s agreement to the District’s mandatory contractual provisions.

1.15 TERM OF OFFER

The Vendor’s response to this Request for Proposals constitutes an offer by the Vendor which shall be open and irrevocable for a period of 90 days from the closing date specified in Section 1.5.

1.16 SELECTION PROCESS

The District will score all responses submitted within the guidelines noted in Section 1.11, using a rubric scoring system. The District may also request that Vendor(s) submit various pricing options to allow for any additions, deletions, adjustments that the District may require. It is not the intent of the District to negotiate lower pricing nor is it the intent of the District to allow for new or significantly altered
proposals, but rather, to ensure the District has the flexibility it needs to arrive at a mutually agreeable final contract.

If the District determines, in its sole discretion, that one Vendor is clearly more highly qualified than the others under consideration, it may decide to award a contract directly to that Vendor.

Because the District bases any decision to award a contract on the proposals submitted, each Vendor should include in its response to the RFP, all requirements, terms or conditions it may have and should not assume that an opportunity will exist to add such matters after the proposal is submitted.

1.17 REJECTION OF PROPOSALS

The District may not necessarily accept the lowest cost or any proposal. At its sole discretion, the District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received and to accept any proposal which it considers advantageous, whether or not it is the lowest priced proposal. The District is not under any obligation to award a contract, and reserves the right to terminate the Request for Proposals process at any time, and to withdraw from discussions with all or any of the Vendors who have responded.

1.18 CONFIDENTIALITY

The Vendor shall clearly mark "Confidential" all information regarding the items and conditions, financial and/or technical aspects of the Vendor's proposal, which in the Vendor's opinion are of a proprietary or confidential nature at the relevant item or page. The District shall declare and mark certain information about the District to be received by the Vendor as "Confidential". The Vendor must not disclose such "Confidential" information to any third parties unless authorized to do so in writing by the District. The Vendor and the District agree that the reciprocal obligations of confidentiality will survive the termination of any contract that might arise between the parties.

1.19 CONTRACT PROVISIONS BY REFERENCE

The District and the Vendor(s) with whom the District chooses to contract, if any, shall execute a mutually satisfactory written Agreement based on this Request for Proposals, the proposal(s) submitted and the negotiations regarding these. It is mutually agreed by and between the District and the Vendor that the District's acceptance of the Vendor's proposal by issuance of a written Agreement shall create a contract between the parties thereto containing all requirements, terms and conditions in the Proposal Response and this Request for Proposals except as may be amended in the written Agreement.

Any inconsistency between the District's terms and conditions as set out in the Request for Proposals and the Vendor's terms and conditions as set out in the proposal response shall be discussed during the Selection Process described in Section 1.11 for the purpose of mutually agreeing on the final terms to be included in the written Agreement. Therefore, in the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of the RFP and information submitted by a Vendor, the terms and conditions of this RFP and resulting written Agreement will govern.

Any contract(s) issued based on this Request for Proposals are contingent upon the
school and/or district receiving approval and funding for its E-rate application. The
District reserves the right to implement portions of or to make amendments to the project
scope with the successful Vendor if the E-rate application is not approved or the funding
levels are modified.

1.20 SPECIAL CONDITION – BACKGROUND CHECKS & WORKER CONDUCT

Because the work will be performed on school grounds it is important to the School District
that registered sex offenders, or persons who are required to report and have failed to
register, are not employed by Vendor or any subcontractors on this project. It is also
important that Vendor and subcontractors maintain proper discipline to ensure their
workers' behavior at the work site is appropriate given the school setting. To implement
this Special Condition:

1.) Vendor shall run background checks on all employees it assigns to work at the project
site by accessing the Law Enforcement Data System (the “System”) maintained by the
Oregon State Police as provided in ORS 181.592 et seq. The purpose of the background
check shall be to determine if any employee Vendor intends to assign to the project site is
a registered sex offender, or a person listed in the System as a person who is required to
report, but failed to register.

2.) Vendor shall not use any employee who is a registered sex offender, or known to be a
person who has failed to register, in performing work at the project site.

3.) Vendor shall provide District with written confirmation certifying that prior to sending
any employee to work at the project site it will make the background check required above,
and that no employee will be allowed to work at the project site in violation of this Special
Condition.

4.) Vendor shall require each of its subcontractors to incorporate the provisions of this
Special Condition into their subcontract, and supply Vendor with the certifications required
above. Each subcontractor shall be required to include this same Special Condition in all
of their subcontracts. Vendor’s certification to District shall include a representation that it
has received the required certificates from its subcontractors, including a representation
from the subcontractors that they in turn have received the required certification from their
subs.

5.) Vendor’s employees shall not be in possession of, or under the influence of, alcohol or
any controlled substance (other than properly prescribed and used prescription drugs)
while on school property.

6.) Vendor’s employees shall not smoke or use tobacco products on school property.

7.) Vendor’s employees shall not harass, intimidate, haze, bully, or otherwise menace
students and staff, or engage in verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual
nature with any student or staff.

Any worker in violation of the requirements set forth above shall be removed from the
worksite, and shall not be allowed to return to work on any School District site.
Neither Vendor’s nor any subcontractor’s obligation to remove any of their workers from the worksite pursuant to this Special Condition shall result in an adjustment to the contract price or the contract time. Failure of Vendor or any of the subcontractors to provide the required certification or to remove a worker in accordance with this Special Condition shall be a default under the Agreement.

1.21 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

All Vendors doing work with the District shall comply with the Provisions of Executive Order 11246 (30 F.R. 12319-25) regarding Equal Employment Opportunity.

2.0 INTERCONNECTED VOIP TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES OVERVIEW

The intent of this RFP is to define the terms, conditions and requirements for Interconnected VoIP Telecommunication Services for Ashland School District 5. It is intended that the VOIP services described herein will be all inclusive and will not require the District to incur additional costs to achieve fully operational service except for monthly service fees and usage costs through the Vendor.

2.1 SCOPE

This RFP requests proposals for Interconnected VoIP priority one (1) services to either supplement or replace existing telecommunications services and equipment for the District office and all of the schools in the District. The contract period will begin on July 1, 2012, and continue through June 30, 2013, unless a multi-year contract is executed initially. The District is interested in a three (3) to five (5) year contract with voluntary 1 year extensions.

The RFP Scope is in three parts Priority 1 E-rate services/equipment, Priority 2 E-Rate services/equipment, and non E-Rate eligible services/equipment. Vendors may respond to all or part of the RFP. Responses should separate out each part. The District may purchase or lease Priority 2 and non E-Rate eligible equipment. If a lease is selected the lease term will be the same as the priority 1 service contract term.

The District will consider E-Rate Priority 1 Interconnected VoIP services that include replacements for all existing telephone and voice communications services. The costs of these services will be factored as part of the total cost to the district. The district wishes to retain its existing public phone numbers and DID numbers.

Supplied solution will support modular, cost-effective growth in both phones and applications over the next ten years. Support for VoIP Industry standards such as SIP are preferred. System should support and be certifiable with any switch or router from any vendor. Web-based user and management interfaces are preferred.

Existing POTS Lines for alarm, primary fax and elevators are not part of this scope.
2.2 CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE

2.2.1 PHONE SYSTEM

The District's current phone system is a VODAVI Communications System. The existing system is decentralized. Each school site has its own VODAVI Communications phone system. School sites can call on-site extensions at their location only. The district has a 100MB Single-mode Fiber running (provided by Ashland Fiber Network) to each location from the (AFN) Central Office.

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2.2.2 NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE

Network WAN Diagram and equipment models provided on request. The 5 school sites are connected by a 100Mb SM-Fiber WAN. Each site on the WAN connects to Ashland Fiber Network Central Office for interconnectivity and connection to the Internet. Network switches are manufactured by Cisco. There are currently (2) to (8) CAT5 network drops in every classroom. All network cable is CAT5. All IDF cabinets are connected to a centralized MDF cabinet with 100Mb/1Gb fiber.

2.3 SERVICE OBJECTIVES

The contracting vendor(s) must provide the following telecommunications services:

2.3.1 Priority One E-RATE Eligible Services:

Solution must interoperate with existing network infrastructure described in 2.2.2. Vendors will provide all E-Rate Priority one (1) eligible services and equipment (hosted or on-premise) necessary for the solution to function. Vendor’s solution should adhere to the SLD and FCC guidelines for Interconnected VoIP systems.

Desired Functionality:

Real-time, two-way voice communications

Internet protocol-compatible customer premises equipment (CPE)

Ability to receive calls that originate on the public switched telephone network and to terminate calls to the public switched telephone network.

Support for Network Time Protocol (NTP).

Flat rate Domestic Local, Long Distance and 911/E-911.

The system must be capable of supporting Fiber Connectivity or IP Transport between sites. The system will provide similar centralization and redundancy to existing system.
Routing flexibility – dynamically route a call over various network paths to avoid congestion at any location.

Uniform dialing – a uniform numbering and dialing plan to route calls within the network (4-digit dialing).

Seamless networking – the proposed system must be able to support seamless networking for a minimum of ten (10) sites. Seamless is defined as being able to activate features (e.g., paging, message light, transfer, pickup, auto-callback, E911) between sites.

System must have the capability of providing a unique identifier for each handset location, including those that do not have an assigned DID.

Location information must be provided (facility and zone) when any network user dials 9-1-1.

System must have the capability to alert a console, specified station, printer, fax or phone when a 911 call is dialed.

Call coverage – the system must provide flexible patterns for call coverage from user to user anywhere on the network, or from user to voicemail. The activation of the coverage condition should be modifiable by the user. The system should also allow more than one coverage path to exist at the same time. The additional coverage path must allow DID calls to go to voicemail, while allowing transferred calls to proceed to support staff.

Speakerphone – provides full-duplex speakerphone capability

Enhanced conference capability – provides call conferencing for a minimum of five (5) parties either internal or external.

Conference Bridge capability – provide the ability to setup a conference bridge line with a minimum of twenty (20) users.

External Paging/ Overhead Paging Interface – allows the system to tie into an external paging system.

Hold – allows the user to leave a phone call temporarily without disconnecting the caller.

Transfer – allows the user to move a call from one extension to another.

Call forwarding internal – allows a user to forward a station to any other station on the network.

Speed dial – allows a user to press a button pre-programmed with a phone number.

Both system wide and personal speed dial numbers must be accommodated.

Multiple call appearance – allows a user to have the opportunity to take more than a single call at one time.
Outbound caller ID block - selected users may block outbound caller identification on a per station basis.

Inbound caller identification – the name and number of the calling party, whether internal or external, appears in the user's display.

Headsets - allows users to make and receive calls with a headset instead of a handset.

Music on Hold - background music heard when a caller is placed on hold.

Toll Restriction - capability to block long distance calls from specific stations at specific times of day.

Calling Line ID (DID) - Outbound caller identification provides user DID for selected users.

Calling Line ID (Call by Call Blocking) - Outbound caller identification can be blocked selectively call by call for certain users.

Override - allows a user to enter a conversation at a busy station or ring a station in DND mode. All parties receive a warning tone when the call is entered.

Call accounting - allows the system administrator to track an outbound call placed from any location on the network by the originating extension number, date, time, number dialed, trunk used and duration.

Traffic analysis - the system administrator is able to gather traffic information related to both quantity and length of calls, as measured in CCS. The capability should be available for all routes.

Call forwarding external – allows a call to be forwarded to an external destination such as a cellular phone or home phone.

Call transfer external - allows a call to be transferred to an external phone number such as a cellular phone.

Call back - allows users to press a button to activate a call back from a busy station when it returns to the idle state.

Hands-free Call Announce - Allows user to announce a call in advance of transferring the caller.

Audible dial tone is heard when system user presses button to get a line.

Computer based reception console - Receptionist can manage calls via computer rather than attendant console

Hot desking (optional) – allows users to log into a digital telephone set anywhere on the network; the digital station will automatically be configured with the user’s individual programming settings, and inbound calls from any location on the network will automatically route to the location the user is logged into.
Computer based (soft) phone - System user can manage calls via computer rather than phone set. Include costs options to add soft-phones.

IP soft phones - Does the system support an IP soft phone on multiple operating systems MacOS X, Linux and Windows?

Third party call control - Does the system support third party application control of a user’s assigned telephone?

**Centralized Voicemail Needs**

The District seeks to select a centralized voicemail system to support the entire voice network. The voice-processing platform will include voicemail, multiple auto attendants, and audio-text functionality. Seamless integration is defined as digital set emulation, out of band (SMDI) or direct IP integration. Analog integration which requires an in band signal or off hook condition to perform transfers and message waiting activation is not considered seamless.

Single digit menu – the menu capability provided by the auto-attendant must provide single key access to menu choices.

Auto attendant options – supports automated attendant options.

Auto attendant individual greetings – capable of answering individual ports/DIDs with different greetings.

Audio-text - callers can listen to a greeting / announcement, but do not have the capability to leave a message.

Login - When accessing the voicemail system from his/her own phone, user should press no more than four keys and a pass-code.

Directory – a listing of subscriber names and extension numbers. Callers may use this feature to find out the name or extension of subscribers using the touch-tone pad to key in user names and place a call by touching one button.

Dial through – allows callers to locate a user in the voicemail directory and ring the extension before receiving the option to leave a message.

Message creation – subscribers can access the system from any touch-tone telephone, record messages and send them to other subscribers on the system.

Message waiting indicator – provides subscribers with a method of informing them that a new message exists in their voicemail boxes; this feature must work across the network. When a voicemail message is recorded, the message indicator appears on the phone set in less than 30 seconds.

Personal greetings – subscribers can instruct the system to greet their callers with a personal message or prerecorded message.
External access – allows subscribers to access the voicemail system through a separate DID or “800” number.

Customized operator – each user’s mailbox must be able to select a customized operator or zero “0” destination.

Forward message - ability to forward messages, with or without additional comment.

Message Management - When listening to messages, user has the ability to rewind, forward, and pause the message.

Notification - Notification of a new voicemail message can be sent to an external number (i.e. Pager or cell phone).

Toggle greetings - User has the ability to toggle between a standard greeting and a special greeting.

Time dependent (temporary) greetings - User has the ability to record a special greeting for after business hours.

Operator Transfer - Caller has the ability to reach an operator instead of leaving a voicemail message.

Transfer directly to voicemail - user has ability to easily transfer a caller (two keys and extension) directly to another user’s voicemail.

Temporary Deletion - User can retrieve a deleted message during current session.

Unified Messaging - Ability for user to manage voicemail messages on the computer. Voice and email messages displayed in the same application or box. Web-based preferred.

System integrates with Microsoft Outlook System and/or Google Apps for Education e-mail and stores the incoming caller’s number in the message header information System correlates caller’s number with contact information provided in the messaging application or other contact database.

User can set up message management folders Voicemail messages deleted on the computer are also deleted from the voicemail box, and vice versa.

System can accommodate fax delivery to a DID.

Voicemails are archived for future use.

All training necessary to use and manage system. Provide a detailed training plan including number of hours for training each type of user, end user, receptionist, system manager.

2.3.2 Priority Two E-RATE Eligible equipment

New network equipment will be required to provide VoIP, PoE and data services to all
classrooms. Vendor will provide equipment, configuration, installation and training for requested equipment in each IDF and MDF cabinet. Vendor will provide assistance and advice on configuring existing switches to provide QOS for VoIP traffic. Provide separate pricing for IDF and MDF equipment and services (installation).

**IDF:** There are a total of 42 IDF s across all school sites that will require additional equipment. New switching equipment must be capable of stacking with our existing Cisco 3750G and 3560G switches. Vendor to provide the following equipment or equivalent:
- 42 - Cisco PN: WS-3560X-48P-S
- 38 - Rack mountable Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) providing conditioned power to the supplied switch with enough battery capacity to run the switch for 30 minutes during a power outage.

**MDF:** There are eight (8) MDF s at various school sites that will require additional equipment. Vendor to provide the following equipment or equivalent:
- 8 - Cisco PN: WS-C3750X-48PF-S
- 8 - Rack mountable Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) providing conditioned power to the supplied switch with enough battery capacity (3000VA or more) to run the switch for 30 minutes during a power outage.

**2.3.3 E-RATE Ineligible Equipment and services**

All E-Rate ineligible service and equipment must be priced separately. District would like lease and purchase options for ineligible items. The District will not seek E-rate funding for items in this section. This section should include any services or equipment required for the delivery of services listed in section 2.3.1.

**2.3.3.1 VoIP Telephone (Handset) Equipment:**

Vendor will provide handsets and all equipment necessary to connect and use approximately 450 telephones. The exact number of handsets will be determined by selected Vendor and the school District based on vendor’s evaluation of handset needs. Handsets will integrate seamlessly and support all features of the proposed Interconnected VoIP solution. The District prefers Cisco handsets.

Provide handset options for the following location types:
- 30 - Common area phone (minimum):
  - 1 - line
  - Wall mountable
  - No display
- **352** - Classroom Phone (minimum):
  - 1 - line
  - Wall mountable
  - VLAN and Integrated 10/100 Ethernet port

- **60** - Office phone (minimum):
  - 2-line
  - Desk and Wall mountable
  - Multi-line digital display
  - VLAN and 10/100 Ethernet port
  - Electronic Hookswitch (EHS) compatible headset port integration and designated on/off button on the telephone.
  - Display of internal CID name and extension.
  - Separate volume control for handset, speaker and ringing features

- **6** - Receptionist Phone (minimum):
  - 6+ line
  - Desk phone
  - Multi-line digital display
  - VLAN and 10/100 Ethernet port
  - Electronic Hookswitch (EHS) compatible headset port integration and designated on/off button on the telephone.
  - Display of internal CID name and extension.
  - Separate volume control for handset, speaker and ringing features
  - Add/Include a wireless EHS headset (such as the Jabra GN9350e Wireless Headsets or equivalent).
  - Add/Include soft-phone option.

- **2** - Conference Phones
  - Integrated keypad to allow receiving and initiating calls from the phone.
  - 360-degree audio for both microphone and speakers
  - ITU-T G.722 audio codec support.
  - Flexible support for inline power/PoE (Power over Ethernet), or local power out of the box.
  - Multi-line digital display
  - Ability to add external microphones

Handsets will be PoE (IEEE 802.3af) ready out of the box.

Provisioning handset should be as simple as possible.

Handsets should have a wall mount option.

Easy single button access to standard features including hold, transfer and conference.

Support of American Disability Act (ADA) requirements, including amplified handsets and support of TTY devices for those with a hearing disability.
SIP compliant handsets are preferred.

Prefer black handsets

2.3.3.2 Network Equipment:

Equipment in this section is ineligible for E-Rate discounts either because of installation location or equipment type. Provide separate pricing for Willow Wind Community Learning Center equipment and services. The district is interested in purchasing or leasing the following equipment:

**Willow Wind Community Learning Center:**
- 1 – Cisco PN: WS-3560X-48P-S
- 1 - Rack mountable Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) providing conditioned power to the supplied switch with enough battery capacity to run the switch for 30 minutes during a power outage.

2.3.4 The following information and services are required:

- Prompt explanations of unplanned service outages and rapid restoration of service.
- The vendors shall operate their own billing and invoicing systems. The District shall be provided with a single comprehensive monthly invoice.
- Quality of Service (QOS) guarantee of 99.9% system availability.
- If included each circuit shall provide error free operation.
- If included each circuit shall be monitored from a network control center 24 hours per day seven days per week. The network control center shall have the capability to both detect and correct service problems on the circuits.
- The Vendor will correct all service failures within 12 hours of notification by the District.
- Lists of circuit ID’s.
- Network topology diagrams.
- Lists of contact names and phone numbers.
- Electronic mailing lists for both technical and administrative staff.
- Escalation procedures to assure timely identification and resolution of problems including escalation within vendor staff.

2.4 SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

The Vendor shall submit a plan to the District addressing how it intends to implement the Interconnected VoIP priority one services requested in this RFP. Installation shall be undertaken with minimum interruption of District personnel.
3.0 GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

In order to receive a uniform format of responses from all Vendors, the following guidelines for formatting the proposal have been outlined. All proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes bearing on the outside the name of the Vendor, its address, and the RFP number and name of the project for which the proposal is submitted. It is the sole responsibility of the Vendor to see that its proposal is received in a timely manner. Any proposal received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals will be returned to the Vendor unopened.

3.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Include a summary of pertinent points in the proposal that you wish to highlight. Indicate hardware type, capability, available services, and Vendor support options.

3.2 VENDOR QUALIFICATIONS AND REFERENCES

Vendors are requested to provide a summary of their qualifications to both supply and support the services being proposed. Please supply a minimum of three references and letters of recommendation, and describe how the services provided to these references are similar to the services proposed to the District. School district/institutional references are preferred.

In addition, the Vendor shall also demonstrate that it possesses all appropriate licenses, permits, and approved tariffs required by the regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over local telecommunications services. The Vendor shall also provide written documentation verifying that they have been continuously providing local telecommunications services for at least the last three years. The successful Vendor will also provide an account representative and single point of contact for local telecommunications equipment, maintenance and service.

3.3 PROPOSED SERVICES

Each Vendor shall describe how the proposed access, service and equipment meets the specifications set forth in Section 2.2 and Section 3.8 including complete detailed specifications on all components of the proposed services. Any specifications which cannot be met shall be identified in the proposal.

3.4 WARRANTY, SERVICE AND SUPPORT

3.4.1 The Vendor shall propose a warranty for the equipment it offers. An explanation of the source, level and timing of maintenance servicing, and of responsibility for upgrades to the system, in both the warranty and post-warranty periods should be provided. The Vendor must clearly enumerate any charges associated with the warranty service which will be billed to the District during the warranty period, at what point overtime charges will begin to accrue, e.g. after the service representative has been on site for eight (8) hours, holidays, etc.
3.4.2 The Vendor shall propose an out of warranty service agreement including estimated charges for service calls and/or maintenance contracts for both hardware and software for each of the four (4) years following the termination of the warranty period. The proposal shall include service contract terms and conditions, fees and parts replacement charges. The Vendor shall also specify rates for normal working service calls on a time and material basis and availability of technical support by telephone for both hardware and software trouble shooting.

3.5 TRAINING

The Vendor shall describe and provide separate prices for training and educational programs for District personnel in the use (if applicable) of any proposed Telecommunications Services and equipment. The Vendor shall identify the location of any off-site training locations being proposed, if any.

3.6 OTHER OPTIONAL RELATED SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT

List and describe any optional related services and equipment that are included in the proposal either at no extra charge or at a discount.

3.7 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF SELECTED VENDOR

The Selected Vendor will be required to (if applicable):

Provide equipment for onsite testing and evaluation, and be prepared to assist in the testing and evaluation process.

3.8 COSTS

Please provide a detailed costs for the various aspects of your services (If services are bundled enter an aggregate cost for your standard service offering).

If the proposal has components that fall into more than one E-Rate funding category (Telecommunications, Internet Access, Internal Connections other than Basic Maintenance, and Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections), the proposal should not only clearly break out the E-Rate eligible and ineligible components but also break out the components between E-Rate funding categories with a subtotal for each category. If multiple categories are needed to address the total scope of the project, the vendor will divide the total proposal into parts and submit separate proposals for each E-Rate funding category. The separate proposals may still be evaluated together.

All costs associated with the Vendor’s proposal must be included in the quote submitted.
Any available discounts (except E-Rate), trade-in allowances, and other price-affecting factors must be explicitly detailed in the proposal. E-Rate discounts should not be included in the proposal. E-Rate discounts are calculated by the SLD and will be applied after the proposal is awarded.

When available, the Vendor shall propose contract pricing (i.e., State contract, Oregon Cooperative Procurement Program, Western States Contracting Alliance) or better.

Attachment A4 is to be used for any non-eligible E-rate project costs. Attachment A5 is to be used to provide the district with details about circuit recurring/nonrecurring charges included in your proposal. A detailed list and prices for such items may be substituted for Attachment A5.

3.9 SIGNATURE AND VENDOR SPIN NUMBER FROM SLD

The proposal response must be signed in the name of the Vendor and must bear the signature in longhand of the person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor. The proposal response must include the Vendor's valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) as issued by the Schools and Libraries Division. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to apply for and receive the SPIN number from the SLD. There is a box on the Proposal Response Form (Attachment A2) for this purpose.

The Vendor must provide its valid FCC Registration Number (FRN) and proof of Green Light Status from the FCC. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to apply for and receive the FRN number from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Information can be accessed at http://www.fcc.gov/redlight/.

3.10 AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION

Each respondent must complete and sign an Affidavit of Non-Collusion. The Affidavit of Non-Collusion in Attachment A6 must bear the signature in longhand of the person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Vendor.

4.0 MANDATORY CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

4.1 THE DISTRICT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES

The only persons who are or shall be authorized to speak or act for the District in any way with respect to any contract resulting from this Request for Proposals are those whose positions or names have been specifically designated in Section 1.3.

It is hereby declared and agreed by the Vendor that all proposals submitted to the District by the Vendor have been prepared on the basis on its own knowledge of the nature of the work to be performed or of the goods to be supplied, the location, quality, and character of the equipment and facilities needed, as well as the general and local conditions and all other such matters which can affect the Vendor's performance under any contract between the parties that might result from the Vendor's proposal.

The Vendor further agrees that it does not rely upon any information given or statements
made by representatives of the District with regard to the Vendor's proposal or work to be performed.

4.2 AMENDMENTS

No amendment of a contract resulting from this proposal process shall be effective unless it is reduced to writing and executed by the District's Business Manager and by the individual signing the Vendor's proposal or another individual named by the Vendor as specified in Section 4.3 NOTICES (below).

4.3 NOTICES

All notices provided hereunder shall be given in writing and delivered in person, by facsimile, overnight express, or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Notice shall be deemed given when delivered, or deposited in the mail, or upon facsimile transmission and addressed to the other party as follows:

If to the District:

Steve Mitzel  
Systems Coordinator  
Ashland School District 5  
885 Siskiyou Blvd.  
Ashland, OR 97520  
Phone: (541) 482-8771 Ext. 140  
Fax: (541) 482-2185

If to the Vendor:

Vendor Contact Name  
Vendor Name  
Vendor Address  
City, state, Zip Code  
Vendor Telephone Number  
Vendor Fax Number  
Vendor Contact e-mail

The person signing the Vendor’s proposal in response to the District's Request-for Proposals, at the Vendor's address indicated in such proposal; or to such other person or address as either may designate for itself in writing and provide to the other.

4.4 INDEMNITY

The Vendor shall indemnify the District for all damage suffered by it due to the negligent actions or wrongful acts of the Vendor, its employees, subcontractors and/or agents. The Vendor shall indemnify and hold harmless the District, its Board, its employees, students, subcontractors and/or agents from all claims, demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits, or proceedings initiated by third parties arising from the negligence of the Vendor, its employees, subcontractors, and/or agents.

4.5 INSURANCE
The Vendor with whom the District wishes to contract warrants and represents that it has the following insurance coverage:

4.5.1 GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

General Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than $1,000,000.00 inclusive per occurrence for bodily injury, (including death) and damage to property including loss of use thereof. Such insurance shall include coverage for broad form property damage, contractual liability, completed operations and product liability. The District shall be named as an additional insured on the policy, but only with respect to the operations of the Vendor in the performance of this contract.

4.6 PREVAILING WAGES

The Selected Vendor agrees, pursuant to ORS 279C.800 through ORS 279C.870, that workers in each trade or occupation employed in the performance of any Contract awarded here under either by the Prime Vendor or any subcontractor or any other person doing or contracting to do the whole or any part of the work, shall be paid not less than the minimum hourly rate of wage set forth in the document entitled “Prevailing Wage Rates for Public Works Contracts in Oregon”, as issued by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, in effect as of the first date of advertisement of this RFP. This document can be downloaded from BOLI's website, www.boli.state.or.us, and is incorporated by reference herein.

4.7 APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

The Vendor or any subcontractor or any other person doing or contracting to do the whole or any part of the work, shall meet all applicable laws, codes, regulations, requirements, statutes, administrative rules or other conditions of any jurisdiction having authority over the project. This requirement includes, without limitation, Oregon Revised Statutes, Oregon Administrative Rules, Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Environmental Quality, Jackson County, City of Ashland whether stated within this Request for Proposal or not. Proposing Vendors are advised to familiarize themselves with all applicable laws or requirements associated with public contracts in the State of Oregon, whether listed in this RFP or not.

4.8 GOVERNING LAW

This Request for Proposal and any resultant Contract will be entered into within the State of Oregon, and the Law of said state, whether substantive or procedural, shall apply to this contract, as well as all statutory requirements, including the District’s Local Public Contracting Rules, applicable to public contracts in the State of Oregon.

4.9 ELECTRICAL APPROVAL

All electrical equipment used at the District must have U.L. (Underwriter’s Laboratories) Approval.

4.10 ASSIGNMENT

Any agreement(s) made as a result of this Request for Proposals may not be assigned.
or transferred by the Selected Vendor without the prior written approval of the District.

4.11 COMMITMENTS, WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

Any commitment made by a Vendor pursuant to its proposal shall be binding upon the Vendor. For the purposes of its proposal to the District, a commitment by a Vendor includes:

4.11.1 Prices and options committed to remain in force over a specified period(s) of time;

4.11.2 Any written warranty or representation made by the Vendor in a proposal as to hardware or software performance, total system performance, and other physical, design or functional characteristics of a machine, software package or system.

4.11.3 Any written warranty of representation made by the Vendor concerning the characteristics of items described in Section 4.11.2 above made during the course of negotiations whether or not incorporated into a formal amendment to the proposal in question; and

4.11.4 Any written representation by the Vendor in a proposal, support documents, side letters or other memoranda, or negotiations subsequent thereto as to training to be provided, services to be performed, prices and options committed to remain in force over a fixed period of time, or any other similar matter regardless of the fact that the duration of such commitment may exceed the duration of any contract that may be entered into by the parties.

4.12 INSTALLATION AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

4.12.1 The Vendor shall install equipment and/or software, ready for use, by an installation date (day, month, year) agreed to by the Vendor and the District in writing.

4.12.2 Any changes by the District to an order, or any part thereof, may require the establishment of a new mutually agreed to installation date. The District may delay the installation date by notifying the Vendor at least ten (10) days before the installation date previously established.

4.12.3 Failure of the Vendor to completely install the equipment and/or software by the agreed to installation date shall result in liquidated damages against the Vendor in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4.12.6 through 4.12.7.

4.12.4 If the equipment and/or software are not delivered thirty (30) days after the original delivery date, the District reserves the right to cancel the contract without further obligation. In the event of such cancellation, the Vendor shall be liable for liquidated damages in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4.12.6 through 4.12.7 through the effective date of termination.

4.12.5 Neither the Vendor nor the District shall be responsible for delays resulting from acts beyond the control of each party. These include, but are not limited to, acts of God, riots, acts of war, fire, earthquakes, epidemics, or disasters.
4.12.6 If the Vendor does not deliver all of the equipment and the specified software, including any special features and accessories included on the same order, and, as a result, no portion of the total system is ready for use on the installation date, then daily liquidated damages shall be paid by the Vendor, at the option of the District according to the following:

a) One (1) percent of the total purchase cost.
b) Actual damages to the District which can be documented and verified when greater than 4.12.6a.

When individual equipment or software components are not ready for use on the agreed-to installation date, liquidated damages shall be assessed in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4.12.6a and 4.12.6b for those components only; provided, however, if any such individual component prevents the operation of the entire system, the District may, in its sole discretion, consider the entire system nonoperational and, accordingly, the Vendor shall pay liquidated damages for the entire system.

4.12.7 If the Vendor provides substitute equipment or software on or before the installation date, the Vendor shall first notify the District in writing. It shall be within the sole discretion of the District to determine whether such substitute equipment is acceptable. In the event that substitute equipment is acceptable to the District, no liquidated damages shall apply to ordered equipment or software for which a substitute is accepted.

4.13 RISK OF LOSS OR DAMAGE (PURCHASED EQUIPMENT) AND TITLE

The District is not responsible for all risks of loss or damage to equipment supplied pursuant to a Vendor’s proposal until ‘clear and unrestricted title to such equipment is transferred to the District. Clear and unrestricted title for any-item of equipment purchased pursuant to a Vendor’s proposal shall pass to the District on the date of acceptance.

4.14 ACCEPTANCE

The equipment supplied by the Successful Vendor must perform to the full satisfaction of the District. The District will require an evaluation period of 90 days from the date the equipment and software has been installed to determine the equipment’s suitability and reliability on the network. The District will accept the equipment when it has performed with complete reliability within the 90 day evaluation period. The Successful Vendor shall correct deficiencies during the evaluation period until complete reliability is achieved.

Should the Vendor be unable to correct deficiencies within the 90 day period, the equipment will be removed at the Vendor’s own expense. All payments made to the Vendor shall be refunded in full to the District prior to removal of the equipment.
4.15 TERMS OF PAYMENT

Payment terms will be negotiated with the Successful Vendor(s). Those items purchased under the provisions of the E-Rate program shall be subject to the invoice and payment provisions set forth by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD). Any projects that the District may choose to commence prior to SLD approval for funding, shall be invoiced in full to the District per the terms and conditions of this agreement, however, if the SLD later approves funding for those projects, the Vendor agrees to invoice the SLD per the provisions of the E-Rate program and credit all proceeds, in full, back to the District, just as if the project had first been approved by the SLD and so invoiced. E-Rate discounts will be applied to the invoice for current services, or by retroactive reimbursement checks via the E-Rate BEAR form process for previously billed services.

4.16 TERMINATION AND CANCELLATION

The District shall have the unilateral right to terminate any contract formed between the parties in the event that anyone or more of the following events of default occur or continue during the term of the contract: (a) the Vendor shall fail to deliver the equipment or services required by the agreement or (b) the Vendor shall repeatedly fail to respond to requests for maintenance or other services within the time limits set forth in the agreement or (c) the Vendor shall breach any of the other terms set forth within the agreement or (d) upon notice by the District of a material default.

4.17 GUARANTEE (WARRANTY)

The Vendor with whom the District wishes to contract shall provide a minimum 365 day warranty on hardware from date of acceptance on all parts and labor. Travel, shipping, and other expenses incurred due to warranty repair shall be included at no additional cost.

4.18 FINAL WARRANTY INSPECTION

Before the expiration of the warranty the Vendor shall provide a final inspection of all equipment and shall again test, and calibrate all equipment using the Vendor’s own quality assurance procedures. The Vendor shall provide a complete certified record of all tests to the District’s designee and demonstrate to the District’s designee that the equipment meets specifications and operates in accordance with the performance characteristics outlined in the Vendor’s proposal.

4.19 PATENT PROTECTION

The Vendor with whom the District wishes to contract, at its own expense, will defend any suit which may be brought against the District for the infringement of any patents, trade secrets or copyright by equipment or software furnished hereunder. The District shall give the Vendor prompt written notice of such suit and full right and opportunity to conduct the defense thereof, together with full information and all reasonable cooperation. If in the Vendor's opinion the equipment or software furnished hereunder is likely to or does become the subject or claim of infringement of the patent, copyright, or trade secret then the Vendor may, at its option, substitute for the alleged infringing equipment or software, modifications suitably satisfactory to the District, or at Vendor’s
option and expense, obtain the right for the District to continue the use of such equipment or software. If the use of such equipment or software by the District shall be prevented by permanent injunction, the Vendor agrees to take back the equipment or software and refund the total amount the District has paid to the Vendor.

4.20 SOFTWARE

The Vendor shall provide the most current version of the software necessary to operate and maintain any equipment provided under this agreement. The District shall be provided a license by the Vendor for this software for the life of the equipment.

4.21 SOFTWARE UPDATES

For a minimum period of five years from the date of acceptance, the Vendor shall provide free software updates.

4.22 PARTS AVAILABILITY

The Vendor shall agree to provide the District with repair parts. Parts should be delivered within forty-eight (48) hours of notification to the Vendor of a part failure.

4.23 ADAPTABILITY

In the event that a future product is purchased by the District from the Vendor for use in conjunction with this system, and that product does not directly, completely and properly function with the District's equipment and systems, the Vendor shall be responsible for properly integrating and making compatible that product with the District's equipment and system.

4.24 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS

The Vendor(s) with whom the District may choose to contract may be required to provide security in an amount and form acceptable to the District to ensure implementation of this proposal. This security could be in the form of a Performance and Payment Bond, an Irrevocable Letter of Credit or other form of security.

4.25 PRICE PROTECTION

The District will not pay any additional costs above those costs listed in a Successful Vendor's proposal for equipment, software, maintenance, etc. If the successful Vendor's general list prices for such items decrease prior to the date of acceptance or for six (6) months after acceptance, any contract entered into by the parties shall be modified to reflect such lower prices.

5.0 GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 THE CONTRACT

The Vendor(s) to whom the award is made shall be required to enter into a written
contract with the District. The Request for Proposals, the proposal specifications and the Vendor's response will all be attached to, and become a part of the final contract document. The contract will be conditional upon receiving full (100%) E-Rate funding from the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD). The District reserves the right to implement portions of or to make amendments to the project scope and contract with the successful Vendor if the E-rate application is not approved or the funding levels are modified.

5.2 NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

For all periods subsequent to June 30 of the current fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, and for any portion of a period subsequent to those dates, the contract shall be contingent upon the legislative appropriation of funds by the District for payments under any contract generated by this procurement. In the event funds are not appropriated for any such future period the District will not be obligated to pay any payments beyond the date of the Board of Education adoption of the Budget for the then current period for which such funds have been appropriated. The District agrees to notify the vendor of such non-appropriation of funds at the earliest possible time, in any event not to be less than thirty (30) days prior to Board adoption of the budget for the then current fiscal year. No payment of any nature shall be imposed upon or required of the District for non-appropriation of funds for future periods.

5.3 LICENSES

Each Vendor shall possess at the time this contract is awarded all licenses required by the legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction over the work. The Vendor will have all appropriate manufacturers' authorizations and certifications to offer, install and warranty the equipment and systems installed. The successful Vendor must maintain the licenses and manufacturers' authorizations and certifications throughout the duration of this contract.

5.4 CLEAN-UP

In addition to clean-up specified elsewhere, all parts of any installed equipment and installation work areas shall be thoroughly cleaned at the completion of any installation activities. Impacted facilities should be returned as much as possible to the condition they were in before the installation.
5.5 DRIVING ON GROUNDS

All due caution and care must be exercised when driving on school grounds. The successful vendor shall contact the principal of the school, administrator of the district site, or their representatives, and arrange for entrance thereon.

5.6 EVIDENCE OF RESPONSIBILITY

Upon the request of the District, a Vendor whose proposal is under consideration for the award of the contract shall submit promptly to the District satisfactory evidence showing the Vendor's financial resources (including a fully audited and certified financial statement), its system maintenance and installation experience, and its organization’s availability for the support of this system.

5.7 AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION

Each Vendor will submit a signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion with the proposal response. An affidavit form is provided in Attachment A6.

5.8 LATER PURCHASE OF ADD-ON ITEMS

Once the District awards a contract, the District reserves the right to add or delete additional equipment and services to the agreement throughout its life, based upon all terms, conditions, and rates of the agreement.

5.9 TECHNOLOGY CLAUSE

As technology advances, it is understood that improved or enhanced products and services may supersede existing products and services in both price and performance and yet be essentially similar. This Request for Proposals seeks to address the rapid advances in technology products and services by allowing functionally similar, identical, or improved products and services that may be available in the future, during the term of any resulting procurement contract with the District, to be included under the general umbrella of compatible product lines and services and are thus specifically a part of a Vendor’s proposal response.
PART A RFP PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORMS:
ATTACHMENT A1

RFP ASD-12-VoIP ASHLANDSCHOOL DISTRICT 5 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RECEIPT CONFIRMATION FORM

Please complete this form and mail or e-mail IMMEDIATELY to:

Steve Mitzel
Systems Coordinator
Ashland School District 5
885 Siskiyou Blvd. Ashland, OR 97520
E-mail: steve.mitzel@ashland.k12.or.us

Failure to return this form may result in no further communication regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) for Interconnected VoIP priority one services.

COMPANY NAME:
ADDRESS:
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:
CONTACT PERSON:
CONTACT TELEPHONE:
CONTACT FAX:
CONTACT EMAIL:

I have received a copy of the above noted Request for Proposals. Yes, I will be responding to this Request for Proposals. I hereby authorize Ashland School District 5 to send further correspondence that it deems to be of an urgent nature by the following method (Please select one method only):
Facsimile:
Telephone:
Email:

No, I will not be responding.

I understand that if I do not submit a proposal, this will not affect our company's status as a potential supplier to Ashland School District 5 in the future. I also understand that if I do not return this form our company will not receive any further notices with regard to this Request for Proposals.

SIGNATURE:
TITLE:
DATE:
ATTACHMENT A2
RFP ASD-12-VoIP ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 5 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORM

Complete the following information and submit it as the cover page for your proposal.

Project Name: Interconnected VoIP priority one services
Vendor's Name:
Vendor's Address:
Vendor's Authorized Agent:
Vendor's Telephone:
Vendor's SPIN No:

TO: ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 5 ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS GOVERNING BOARD, HERIN CALLED THE "DISTRICT":

Pursuant to and in compliance with your Request for Proposals and the other documents relating thereto, the undersigned Vendor, having familiarized himself with the terms of the contract, the local conditions affecting the performance of the contract and the cost of the work at the place where the work is to be done, and with the drawings and specifications and other contract documents, hereby proposes and agrees to perform, within the time stipulated, the contract, including all of its component parts (unless specified below), and everything required to be performed, and to provide and furnish any and all of the labor, materials, tools, expendable equipment, and all utilities and transportation services necessary to perform the contract and complete in a workman like manner all of the work required in connection with this proposal to provide: Interconnected VoIP priority one services. This procurement will begin on July 1, 2012 and continue through June 30, 2013 unless a multi-year contract is executed initially.

All work will be completed in strict conformity with the specifications and standards outlined in the Request for Proposals (RFP) and any addenda issued relative to the RFP including addenda numbers: on file at the office of Ashland School District 5 for the sum of~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ U.S Dollars ($ ).

Note: If you are submitting a proposal on only a portion of this RFP, please stipulate in the following table which portions you are responding to and your proposed pricing.

I am making a proposal on the following section(s) of the RFP for the following sum(s). Please list all that apply:
1. It is understood that the District may not necessarily accept the lowest cost or any proposal. It is understood the District, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received and to accept any proposal which it considers advantageous, whether or not it is the lowest priced proposal. It is understood that the District is not under any obligation to award a contract, and reserves the right to terminate the Request for Proposals process at any time, and to withdraw from discussions with all or any of the Vendors who have responded.

2. It is understood that this proposal shall remain open and not be withdrawn for the period specified in the Request for Proposals.

3. It is understood and agreed that if written notice or the acceptance of this proposal is mailed or delivered to the undersigned after the opening of the proposal, and within the time this proposal is required to remain open, or at any time thereafter before this proposal is withdrawn, the undersigned will execute and deliver to the District a contract in the form attached hereto in accordance with the proposal as accepted, and that he will also furnish and deliver to the District the Performance Bond as specified in the Request for Proposals. All work will be commenced by the undersigned Vendor on the date stated by the District in the Request for Proposals.

4. All notices or other correspondence should be addressed to the undersigned at the address stated below.

5. The names of all persons interested in the foregoing proposal as principals are as follows:

(IMPORTANT NOTICE: If the Vendor or other interested person is a corporation, state legal name of corporation, also names of the president, secretary treasurer, and manager thereof; if a co-partnership, state true name of firm, also names of all individual co-partners composing the firm; if Vendor or other interested person is an individual, state first and last names in full.)

1. The undersigned holds the following licenses and/or certifications:

2. All of the foregoing is agreed to by the following Authorized Agent(s).

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ATTACHMENT A3

RFP ASD-12-VoIP
ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
E-RATE ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS

Project Name: *Interconnected VoIP priority one services*

Please provide detailed descriptions and costs for E-rate eligible hardware, equipment and other related products for the project. Use additional pages as necessary. You may use a detailed list of hardware and products with the same required information instead of this form.

Please indicate costs for the various aspects of the project:

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**TOTAL COST:** $  

Name of Vendor's Authorized Agent: ______________________________

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Agent: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________________________________________________

ASHLAND SCHOOL DIST 5  RFP ASD-12-VoIP
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RFP ASD-12-VoIP
ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
NON E-RATE ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS

Project Name: *Interconnected VoIP priority one services*

Please provide detailed descriptions and costs for non E-rate eligible hardware, equipment and other related products for the project. Use additional pages as necessary. You may use a detailed list of hardware and products with the same required information instead of this form.

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**TOTAL COST:** $ 

Name of Vendor’s Authorized Agent:

Signature of Vendor’s Authorized Agent:

Date:
Project Name: *Interconnected VoIP priority one services*

Please provide detailed descriptions and costs for hardware, equipment and other related products for the project. Use additional pages as necessary. You may use a detailed list of hardware and products with the same required information instead of this form.

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Name of Vendor’s Authorized Agent: ______________________________________________________

Signature of Vendor’s Authorized Agent: __________________________________________________

Date: ______________________________________________________________________________
ATTACHMENT A6 – NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
“NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT” TO BE EXECUTED BY VENDOR AND SUBMITTED WITH PROPOSAL

State of ________________________ ]
County of ________________________ ] ss. ]
______________________________, being first duly sworn,
deposes (Name)

and says that he or she is ______________________________
of ______________________________________________________

(Name of Company)

Entity making the foregoing Proposal, that the Proposal is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization or corporation; that the Proposal is genuine and not collusive or sham; that the Proposer has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Proposer to put in a false or sham Proposal, and has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived or agreed with any Proposer or anyone else to put in a sham Proposal or that anyone shall refrain from proposing; that the Proposer has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the Price Proposal or any component of the Price Proposal, of the Proposer or any other Proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element included in the Proposal, or of that of any other Proposer, or to secure any advantage against the Agency of anyone interested in the proposed Contract; that all statements contained in the Proposal are true; and, further, that the Proposer has not, directly or indirectly, submitted its Price Proposal or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, or paid, and will not pay, any fee to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, proposal depository or any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham Proposal.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ________________day of ________________, 20___.

Notary Public in and for )
said County and State ) SS

[Seal] My commission expires________________________
SAMPLE FORMS

TO BE USED BY SUCCESSFUL VENDOR
FOR THE RESULTING CONTRACT

AGREEMENT FORMS
FOR THE CONTRACT
ATTACHMENT A7

RFP ASD-12-VoIP
ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 5
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made the ___ day of _____________ 20___, in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, by and between ____________________________________________,

hereinafter called the District and ________________________________________

hereinafter called the Vendor,

WITNESSETH that the District and the Vendor for the considerations stated herein agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - SCOPE OF WORK. The Vendor shall perform within the time stipulated the contract as herein defined, and shall provide all labor, materials, tools, utility services, and transportation to complete in a workmanlike manner all of the work required in connection with the following titled project:

This agreement provides Interconnected VoIP priority one services.

As outlined in detail in Ashland School District 5 RFP ASD-12-VoIP.

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE Vendor to complete the work covered by this contract in exact accordance with the approved plans, specifications and other contract documents as specified in Article 6 below. The Vendor shall be liable to the District for any damages arising as a result of a failure to fully comply with that obligation, and the Vendor shall not be excused with respect to any failure to so comply by any act or omission of the Architect Engineer, Inspector, Office of the State Architect or representative of any of them, unless such act or omission actually prevents the Vendor from fully complying with the requirements of the documents, and unless the Vendor protests at the time of such alleged prevention that the act or omission is preventing the Vendor from fully complying with the contract documents. Such protest shall not be effective unless reduced to writing and filed with the district office within three working days of the date of occurrence of the act or omission preventing the Vendor from fully complying with the contract documents.

ARTICLE 2 -TIME FOR COMPLETION. The work shall be commenced on the date stated in the District's notice to proceed. The project is expected to commence approximately June 6, 2012, or within 30 days of full (100%) E-rate funding notification from the SLD. All work must be completed and accepted by August 6 2012. Work not completed in conformance with the foregoing shall be subject to liquidated damages in the amount set forth in Section 4.13 of the Request for Proposals.
ARTICLE 3 - CONTRACT PRICE. The District shall pay to the Vendor as full consideration for the faithful performance of the contract, subject to any additions or deductions as provided in the contract documents, the sum of _________________

Dollars ($_________), said sum being the total amount of the following amounts stipulated in the proposal:

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ARTICLE 4 - HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT. The Vendor agrees to and does hereby indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents, and employees from every claim or demand made, and every liability, loss, damages, or expense, of any nature whatsoever, including attorney fees and costs, which may be incurred by reason of:

(a) Liability for damages for (1) death or bodily injury to persons, (2) injury to, loss or theft of property, or (3) any other loss, damage or expense arising under either (1) or (2) above, sustained by the Vendor or any person, firm or corporation employed by the Vendor upon or in connection with the work called for in this Agreement, except for liability resulting from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the District, its officers, employees, agents or independent contractors who are directly employed by the District; and

(b) Any injury to or death of persons or damage to property caused by any act, neglect, default or omission of the Vendor, or any person, firm, or corporation employed by the Vendor, either directly or by independent contract, including all damages due to loss or theft, sustained by any person, firm or corporation, including the District, arising out of, or in any way connected with the work covered by this agreement, whether said injury of damage occurs either on or off school district property, if the liability arose from the negligence or willful misconduct of anyone employed by the Vendor, either directly or by independent contract.

(c) The Vendor, at its own expense, cost and risk, shall defend any and all actions, suits, or other proceedings that may be brought or instituted against the District, its officer, agents or employees, on any such claim, demand or liability, and shall pay or satisfy any judgment that may be rendered against the district, its officers, agents or employees in any action, suit or other proceedings as a result thereof.

ARTICLE 5 - PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW. Each and every provision of law and clause required to be inserted in this Contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted or is not inserted correctly, then upon application of either party the Contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.

ARTICLE 6 - COMPONENT PARTS OF THE CONTRACT. The Contract entered into by this Agreement consists of the following contract documents, all of which are component parts of the contract as if herein set out in full or attached hereto:
Request for Proposals; Receipt Confirmation Form; 
Information for Vendors (if any); 
Proposal Response Form; 
E-Rate Eligible Project Costs; 
Non-Eligible E-Rate Project Costs; 
Proposal Detail for Interconnected VoIP services including Recurring/Non-Recurring Charges 
Vendor’s Response to Section 3.0 of the RFP; 
Non-Collusion Affidavit; 
Agreement; 
Addenda Numbers _, _, as issued (if any); 

All of the above-named contract documents are intended to be complementary: Work required by one of the above-named contract documents and not by others shall be done as if required by all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed by the above-named parties, on the day and year first above written.

DISTRICT: 
By ___________________________

Typed or Printed Name

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Title

By ___________________________

Typed or Printed Name

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Title

VENDOR: 
By ___________________________

Typed or Printed Name

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Title

By ___________________________

Typed or Printed Name

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Title

Authorized Officers 
or Agents

(CORPORATE SEAL)