REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Title: RFP 2025-17 JPSD CYBER 2025 Endpoint Protection

FCC Form 470 Number: CBR420250468

APPLICANT

Jackson Public School District
BEN: 128645
662 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39201

DUE DATE: Monday, July 21, 2025, by 10:00 AM CST

Proposals must be submitted online no later than 10:00 am Central Time on the due date listed above.

Sealed, written formal RFP proposals for the above RFP will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District 10:00 AM, Local standard Time.

Proposals received after the proposal deadline, spam, and/or automated responses via email will not be considered valid proposal responses and will be disqualified from consideration.

Submit Questions no later than Monday, June 16, 2025, by 4:00 PM CST

Questions must be emailed to gslade@jackson.k12.ms.us .

All questions and answers will be posted online at https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fuTu4a58P3DCE1BxxcgqR2xKhMv2Qobw9zEHIUZy7v4/edit?usp=sharing and USAC EPC Portal.

The Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District (hereafter referred to as "JPSD") is soliciting sealed, written formal Requests for Proposals (RFP) from qualified vendors (hereafter referred to as "Vendor") for the purchase of furniture, equipment, supplies, materials, labor or services as outlined in the following specifications. Sealed RFP shall be received by JPSD, in the Business Office of the Jackson Public Schools, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until the time specified on the RFP Opening Schedule (front page of the formal RFP document), at which time all RFP shall be publicly opened and read aloud. Neither dating of the RFP form nor placing the RFP in the mail by this date shall meet legal requirements; the formal RFP document must be **received in the Business Office** of the Jackson Public School District on or before the date and time stated.

JPSD reserves the right to reject any and all RFPs received and to waive any and all informalities. Vendors are encouraged to very carefully read all sections of this RFP document prior to submitting an RFP proposal. Any agreement generated due to an award may be terminated by the District without cause upon one week's prior notice to vendor.

The vendor must provide a current copy of their company's Certificate of Insurance with Workers Compensation and General Liability Coverage. Jackson Public School District requires coverage for not less $1,000,000.00 dollars. JPSD must be listed as an insurer under the coverage provided. It is imperative that this insurance is maintained throughout the duration of the contract. This coverage must be submitted and kept on file with JPSD.

It is the basic philosophy of JPSD to extend to all responsible Vendors equal consideration and the assurance of unbiased judgment in determining whether their product or service meets specifications and the educational needs of the school district. JPSD shall fairly evaluate all formal RFP proposals submitted and base all decisions on the "lowest and best" RFP concept, purchasing only those products and/or services which meet the specifications as written. All decisions rendered shall strive to achieve the greatest value from every tax dollar expended. JPSD shall make no discrimination based on race, color, creed, religion, or national origin, in either the product evaluation process or in transacting business with Vendors or Vendor representatives.

The advertising and publishing of this RFP has met all legal requirements (Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, §31-7-13), hence the requirement to offer public notice of the intent of JPSD to solicit RFPs via this RFP document has been satisfied.

This document is to serve as an invitation to all qualified vendors to extend to JPSD an offer for the sale of all products and/or services specified herein. It is the purpose of this RFP document to clearly define "open" and "competitive" product or service rfp specifications. All items on this RFP are to be **as specified or JPSD approved equal**.

Addendum: Vendor shall acknowledge the receipt of all addendums which were issued during the course of this RFP. If specified in the text of the addendum, in addition to acknowledging receipt of the addenda below, the addenda may require additional information required for the RFP (e.g., pricing), in which case the Add RFP Addendum shall not only be acknowledged below but shall be completed and attached to the RFP at the time the RFP proposal is submitted. Receipt of the following Addendum issued during the course of this formal RFP is hereby acknowledged:

It is acknowledged that this rfp proposal consists of the following sections: **PROPOSAL FORM**, **INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS**, **SPECIFICATIONS** and any **ADDENDUM** (if applicable). The Addendum chart is located on page 29.

Net Prices

In all cases, prices quoted are to be net including all applicable discounts. A separate price shall be offered for each item and not in combination with other items (unless the grouping of items is otherwise allowed as defined in the specifications). Unit price shall prevail in case of a conflict between unit and total price (extension); written price shall prevail in case of a conflict between written and enumerated pricing. Vendors are instructed to **round off all unit pricing and extensions to the nearest whole cent, i.e., round the pricing to two places to the right of the decimal point only.** JPSD will only accept pricing, which

is stated in this manner. All items for which pricing is submitted which is other than two places to the right of the decimal shall be accepted; however, all digits beyond a whole cent (more than two places to the right of the decimal) shall be ignored in the RFP analysis process and the unit price indicated on the purchase order shall be to the nearest whole cent for each item involved.

Payment and Invoicing
Unless otherwise indicated in the detailed specifications of this RFP document, JPSD shall make remittance in a **single lump sum** payment **following satisfactory delivery of all items** listed on the purchase order or following satisfactory performance (final inspection) of all services as specified in the contract. JPSD remits by "completed purchase order" only; remittance shall not be made upon receipt of partial shipments or performance, or the receipt of invoice for same, but only after all items included on the purchase order or contained in the contract are delivered and/or satisfied.

It is mutually understood that invoices submitted against Multi-Year or Open Purchase Orders, remittances are processed based on the contracted scheduled agreement prior to the purchase order being generated. Only **Multi-Year** and **Open Purchase Orders** have multiple invoices received for remittance for payment. Professional Services, materials and other such services; invoices are submitted for payment in intervals following satisfactory delivery of ALL services and /or performance of ALL services indicated in the contracted agreement between said vendor and JPSD for that time period, following inspection if applicable. Any freight/shipping cost that may be incurred for tangible items, such as books, pamphlets, handouts, materials needed for presentations, etc. must be included in the total price proposal price submitted if and applicable.

Performance Penalty
The Vendor is subject to a 10% penalty on this agreement for the **2025-2026** school year if the academic objectives of this agreement are not satisfied. The District will withhold 10% of the total contract for final payment to be made after the academic objectives are satisfied.

Default and Delays
Upon failure of the Vendor to deliver all of the items ordered or to render service, within the time set or allowed, the successful Vendor shall be considered in default, in which case JPSD reserves the right to terminate the purchase order or contract and to purchase similar supplies, services, or furniture and equipment, on the open market or secure the manufacture, delivery, and installation thereof by contract or otherwise. The Vendor shall be charged with any cost occasioned by JPSD whether the said cost is the same as originally accepted or any excess cost.

Damage to School Property
Any damage or loss to JPSD property as a result of any action by the Vendor in the delivery, execution or performance of any item or service stated in these specifications shall be repaired or replaced with the satisfaction of designated JPSD personnel, at the Vendor's cost, within a reasonable time.

Guarantee
Each Vendor, by presenting a rfp under these specifications, binds himself to make it positive that all goods are fully up to the standards set by the specifications. Should it be discovered within a reasonable period of time from the date of purchase order or contract that such goods or services are not up to standard, JPSD shall have the right to have such goods or services replaced by others conforming to the standard requirements and the entire expense be borne by the Vendor. The Vendor shall agree to guarantee and warrant all equipment provided as a result of this RFP for a period equal to the stated guaranty/warranty in the specifications. All such warranties shall provide coverage as indicated in the specifications.

Acceptance and Award of RFP Proposals
The Vendor's RFP proposal, once submitted and accepted as a valid RFP by JPSD, shall be deemed by both parties to constitute a legal and binding offer on the part of the Vendor to sell to JPSD as per the terms of the RFP specifications, all products and/or services contained therein. RFP proposals are subject to acceptance by JPSD at any time within forty-five (45) calendar days following the RFP opening date. Consequently, all price quotations shall be effective for a minimum of

forty-five (45) calendar days and a maximum period as indicated in the specifications. All RFPs must be valid for the effective dates stated in the specification, if applicable.

The award of contract shall be made to the Vendor responsible whose RFP, conforming to the specifications, is deemed to be the most advantageous to JPSD, price and all other factors considered. The Vendor acknowledges the right of JPSD to reject the RFP, in part or in total, if the Vendor fails to submit the data required in the specifications, or if the rfp is in any way incomplete or irregular. Under no circumstances may a Vendor deliver, install, or perform any service as specified in these specifications without written authorization from JPSD (i.e., a duly issued purchase order or signed contract). All RFPs shall be approved by the Board of Trustees prior to the final award.

The Vendor shall be issued a purchase order document, which shall be deemed acceptance of the RFP proposal offer made by the Vendor, for all items and/or services approved by the Board of Trustees and awarded as a result of this RFP. However, if in the opinion of JPSD, a contract document is required to authorize the award of the RFP, Vendor agrees to sign and execute all such contract documents as required in the written specifications. NOTE: If Vendor policy requires that JPSD sign Vendor contract documents, a sample of all such documents shall be included with the RFP proposal and shall become a part of the Vendor's RFP proposal.

All awards are based on the availability of funding. In the event of a reduction of funds, this award can be rescinded at any time.

Hard Copy Instructions for Submission

- Responses, once completed, should be placed in an opaque, sealed envelope.

- On the outside of the envelope, list the Company's name/address, RFP number, title, opening date and addressee information as they appear in the RFP proposal so that the response may be accurately delivered and registered upon receipt. A designated official who is a legal representative of the Company must list the required signatures that were noted prior to submitting sealed proposal.

- Failure to comply with the above submittal instructions will cause proposals not to be registered or cataloged to the appropriate file or received timely. The original documents must be displayed in front of all copies submitted by interested parties.

- Please submit Original RFP Documents in the Format Outlined along with Two (2) Copies and any Documentation submitted with the Proposal when Mailed or Hand Delivered.

Please submit the proposal when mailed or hand delivered to

Jackson Public School District
Business Office
Attn: Michele Mays/Tequia Odom
662 S. President Street
Jackson, MS 39201

- Any proposal not received by the stated deadline/time will not be considered and/or opened. The proposal will be returned to the Vendor at the Vendor's expense.

- The District accepts no liability for late submissions due to the actions of the United States Postal Service, Federal Express, United Parcel Service, or any other delivery methods.

Page (35): Cover page is to be placed on the front of the vendors submitted proposal. In the event this page is not displayed when the opening of proposal occurs; it will not be acknowledged or allowed to be presented or evaluated. Place this page on the very front of the submitted documents. This is required on all submitted proposals whether mailed, hand delivery or electronically Uploaded. The submitted proposal must be signed by an authorized official to bind the offeror to the proposed provisions.

All the other required forms to include in the proposal are listed starting at Page (24)

Proposals received after the due date and time will NOT be considered. Incomplete proposals will not be accepted in the evaluation process and will not be returned for revisions. No faxed or emailed copies will be accepted. The Proposal Cover Page is located on page (35) of this document.

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RFP Timeline

Request for Proposal (RFP) Timeline	
RFP Posting	Tuesday, June 3, 2025
Questions Deadline - The district will not accept questions via phone or email. All questions must be submitted online.	Monday, June 16, 2025, by 4:00 PM CST
Addendums Deadline	Thursday, June 19, 2025
Requests for Proposals Due	Monday, July 21, 2025, 10:00 AM CST
Installation or Services to begin on or after	Final Pilot Application Approved by USAC

Pricing Requirements

Offerors are required to identify:

Clearly list the cost of products and services to include the following:

1. Description of Services
2. Monthly (recurring) charges
3. One Time (non-recurring) charges
4. % Eligibility. If the product is fully eligible, show 100%. If not eligible, 0% eligible for CYBER discount. This is NOT the applicant's CYBER discount %.
5. Quantity
6. Unit of Measure (Each, Feet)
7. Bandwidth level, if applicable
8. Contract Term
9. Make, Model and part number, if applicable
10. Installation and Configuration and Training
11. Shipping and Handling
12. Travel and Per Diem
13. Estimate of Surcharges and Fees

Pricing Grid and Detailed Quotes

The pricing grid must be completed by all respondents. **Detailed quotes that include part numbers, SKUs, descriptions and costs for ineligible items if applicable, and vendor all other item descriptions must also be included to ensure that all costs are clearly identified and documented**. Failure to include both the pricing grid and detailed quotes may result in a proposal being rejected.

Costs must be entered into these tables. However, vendors can include additional attachments along with quotes if needed to clearly identify and define all proposal costs.

1.1 Cybersecurity Pilot Program Cost			
Line Item	Cybersecurity Eligible	Ineligible under Cyber	Total
Year 1 Total Cost			
Year 2 Total Cost			
Year 3 Total Cost			
Total Proposal Cost			

1.2 Endpoint Protection Implementation							
Line Item	Description	Quantity	Part Number/SKU	Unit Cost	Installation Cost	Ineligible Cost (if any)	Total Cost (incl. installation)
Endpoint Protection License - Per User							
Endpoint Protection License - Per Endpoint Agent							
Application Control & Ringfencing							
Storage Control Module							
Network Control Module							
Behavioral Analysis & Anomaly Detection							
Configuration Management Module							
Access Control / MFA Integration							
Integration & Interoperability							
Training							
Year 1 Maintenance & Support							
Year 2 Maintenance & Support							
Year 3 Maintenance & Support							
Total Proposal Cost							

1.3 Additional Training Costs			
If this proposal includes separate costs for any training above basic knowledge transfer, describe the training and outline the cost for the recommended training proposed. Training must have a separate quote and include descriptions for eligible and ineligible services if applicable.			
Training Component	Description	Quantity	Cost
Total Training Cost (if required)			

PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS

FCC Cybersecurity Pilot Program – End Point Protection

1.0 Introduction

Jackson Public Schools ("The applicant" or "JPS" or "The District") is the third largest school district in Mississippi, serving approximately 17,000 scholars, representing more than 80 percent of school-aged children in the state's capital and only urban municipality. In school year 2024-25, there are 6 high schools, 7 middle schools, 23 elementary schools, and 3 special program schools comprising the district's school sites.

Most of the District's administrative offices, including the District's IT department and District data center are housed in a two-block complex located at 662 South President Street. Additional District facilities house offices for Campus Enforcement, Enrollment Services and Records, Transportation, Athletics, Child Nutrition, and others. These departments are housed in multiple non-instructional facilities in the district.

The district's legacy hub-and-spoke network has recently been replaced by modern, cloud-centric architecture provided by our ISP, C Spire. All internet traffic and inter-site communication is routed through C Spire's cloud-based firewall and secure infrastructure, which segments and protects district traffic via policy-driven, scalable virtual routes. The district is concurrently engaged in additional segmentation and network redesign work for enhanced security and management. The District network infrastructure is a mix of HP and Cisco switching, and HP Aruba and Cisco Meraki access points. The network core is a Cisco 9600 located in the district's data center.

The district has been selected as a Cyber Pilot district for the Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program. The applicant herewith requests proposals for these services as described in the attached specifications from interested companies (hereinafter known as "The Vendor"). The Vendor must submit an RFP for all areas and show an integrated approach with respect to services and support.

The applicant requests that the quote be itemized with the separation of services/equipment broken out by location. The Customer reserves the right to reject all proposals, waive any technicalities, and award all or part of the contract in a manner that is in the best interest of the applicant.

All aspects of this project must comply with the Federal Communication Commission's competitive RFP requirement for Universal Service Fund (USF) support and services. The applicant reserves the right to purchase some, all, or none of the products and services awarded under this contract for Cybersecurity FY2025 and subsequent funding years covered by the agreement. https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DOC-408937A1.pdf

Any proposal submitted in response to this request must be compliant with the FCC's Order (FCC 19-121) prohibiting the sale, provision, maintenance, modification, or other support of equipment or services provided or manufactured by Huawei, ZTE, or any other covered company posing a national security threat to the integrity of communications networks or the communications supply chain. See https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/coveredlist By submitting a response, vendors are certifying compliance with FCC 19-121. In June of 2024, the Commerce Department added Kaspersky Lab as prohibited companies on the Covered List.

2.0 Purpose of the Project

As part of the FCC Cybersecurity Pilot Program, Jackson Public School District (JPSD) is seeking to implement a unified Zero Trust Endpoint Protection Platform that consolidates antivirus, EDR/XDR, application control, and behavioral threat detection into a single pane of glass. The solution will replace and expand upon the current use of Cylance Protect and Microsoft Defender, streamlining endpoint security management across approximately 5,000 Windows desktops, laptops, and servers.

Solutions equivalent to ThreatLocker are of particular interest, particularly those offering centralized policy enforcement, application allowlisting, sandbox execution for suspicious files and email attachments, identity-based conditional access controls, and zero-trust execution models. Vendors are encouraged to propose equivalent or superior offerings that deliver robust functionality and operational efficiency.

The selected platform must provide:

- Full endpoint protection and threat response
- Application-level control and behavioral analysis
- Real-time telemetry and alerting
- Role-based access management
- Integration with Microsoft 365 and Microsoft Entra ID (formerly Azure AD)
- Optional support for managed detection and response (MDR)
    - We are open to full MDR services depending on budgetary constraints.

This RFP seeks a turnkey deployment that includes all services necessary for agent deployment, policy configuration, integration with existing identity systems, training of JPSD IT staff, and post-implementation support. The proposed solution must be licensed and supported for a prepaid three-year term to ensure long-term affordability and compliance with Pilot Program guidelines.

3.0 Installation Requirements and Other Information

3.1 The selected vendor must be able to meet onsite with the JPSD IT staff to complete a schedule and scope of work before installations can begin.

3.2 Vendor will coordinate with JPSD to schedule deployments in such a way as to minimize the impact on network users; however, work will be completed during standard business hours.

3.3 Vendor may be required to deliver any equipment to the JPSD Fixed Asset department to have asset tags affixed if necessary. JPSD will coordinate with the vendor to schedule the delivery and installation. Vendors may be expected to pick up devices from the JPS Fixed Assets warehouse for delivery to school locations as scheduled if required.

3.4 Vendor will remove and dispose of all packaging and miscellaneous materials left over from any part of the installation and place all trash in an identified on-site dumpster or taken by the vendor to an off-site location. JPSD personnel will not dispose of any packing materials, nor should JPSD school personnel be asked to dispose of any packing materials.

3.5 All components needed to make the new technology 100% operational should be included in the installation cost and provided by the vendor. Any costs not outlined in the vendor proposed budget that may be required for the successful completion of the installation are assumed to be provided by the vendor and at no cost to JPSD.

3.6 If applicable, hardware inventory will be provided to JPS by the vendor including but not limited to, device model number, serial number, MAC address, and location. Application licenses, keys, or serial numbers will also be provided to the district if necessary.

3.7 Vendor will coordinate with JPSD IT staff to install and configure all the technology required to make all deliverables 100% operational. The vendor will provide knowledge transfer to JPSD IT staff to demonstrate the functionality of all technologies.

3.8 Where applicable, patch cables should be of an appropriate length and arranged in a neat and professional manner that provides a finished appearance between all devices.

3.9 All JPS fiber is multi-mode fiber.

3.10 Due to the complexity and the amount of knowledge required for successful configuration and installation, JPSD is seeking a complete "turnkey" solution that covers all phases of the project. Bidders will coordinate with JPS IT staff members and obtain assistance with the information needed to configure all technologies delivered during the project. Bidders are expected to ensure that all components of the project are 100% operational.

4.0 Goals of the Project

4.1 Address Security Gaps Identified in Our Cybersecurity Risk Assessment

- 4.1.1 Endpoint Security and Hardening
- 4.1.2 Application and Software Security
- 4.1.3 Identity and Access Management
- 4.1.4 Security Monitoring, Incident Response and Threat Intelligence
- 4.1.5 Secure Configuration of Assets and Software
- 4.1.6 Data Protection and Storage Control
- 4.1.7 Vulnerability and Patch Management
- 4.1.8 Governance, Risk and Compliance

5.0 Scope of Work

The selected vendor will be responsible for delivering a complete endpoint protection platform that replaces and expands upon the functions currently served by Cylance Protect and Microsoft Defender, providing a unified, centrally managed system. The proposed solution must be scalable and support up to 5,000 endpoints and include a turnkey implementation with all features, licensing, training, and support needed for operational readiness.

The proposed solution must include capabilities equivalent to the full ThreatLocker Choice + Storage stack with at minimum the following modules and associated feature sets:

5.1 Default Deny

The platform must block all unauthorized applications by default, only allowing pre-approved software to execute.

- 5.1.1 Must support dynamic allowlisting with policy-based approvals
- 5.1.2 Application execution must be fully blocked unless explicitly permitted
- 5.1.3 Policies must be manageable by group, user, or endpoint
- 5.1.4 Must log all blocked execution attempts and alert administrators

5.2 Ringfencing

The solution must restrict how applications interact with each other and the operating system to prevent misuse or lateral movement.

- 5.2.1 Prevent applications from launching other executables unless explicitly allowed
- 5.2.2 Restrict network communication to defined IPs or domains per application
- 5.2.3 Block unauthorized inter-process communication
- 5.2.4 Support granular policy enforcement for PowerShell, scripting engines, and macros

5.3 Storage Control

The platform must control access to USB drives, mapped network drives, and cloud storage.

- 5.3.1 Enforce block/allow policies for USB mass storage devices
- 5.3.2 Enable read-only access where appropriate
- 5.3.3 Provide audit logs for all file transfer attempts
- 5.3.4 Support alerting for unusual data access patterns

5.4 Network Control

Endpoint-level firewall policies must be enforceable to restrict network communications by application or port.

- 5.4.1 Define per-application or per-user network rules
- 5.4.2 Block unauthorized outbound or lateral traffic from endpoints
- 5.4.3 Isolate compromised devices from the rest of the network dynamically
- 5.4.4 Integrate with SIEM or XDR for traffic-based detection

5.5 Endpoint Detect

Continuous behavioral monitoring and anomaly detection must be in place to detect threats in real time.

- 5.5.1 Detect suspicious activity such as privilege escalation or persistence techniques
- 5.5.2 Track lateral movement attempts
- 5.5.3 Identify known and unknown malware through behavioral signatures
- 5.5.4 Support automated or manual response actions (e.g., kill process, isolate device)

5.6 Configuration Management

The platform must enforce baseline configuration standards and detect drift.

- 5.6.1 Monitor for unauthorized software installation or removal
- 5.6.2 Alert on registry or system setting changes
- 5.6.3 Enforce policy compliance with configuration templates
- 5.6.4 Provide visibility into software inventory and versioning

5.7 Access Control Access to critical functions and security console must be protected by role-based access and multi-factor authentication.

5.7.1 Enforce RBAC across admin and support roles
5.7.2 Support MFA integration with Microsoft Entra or other identity providers
5.7.3 Log all administrative actions and configuration changes
5.7.4 Allow delegated access for IT staff by site or function

6.0 Minimum Required Features

The proposed solution must be equivalent or exceed the functionality of Threat Locker's Zero Trust Endpoint Protection Platform. Responses must indicate "Yes" or "No" for each item and include a brief vendor comment describing how the capability is delivered. The absence of a feature or failure to meet these exact capabilities may be grounds for disqualification. Attachments may be included for comments. Comments for each feature should be clearly identifiable.

Feature Number	Feature	Offered (Indicate: Yes/No)	Vendor Comment
1	Default Deny Execution Policy – Only explicitly approved applications may run.		
2	Real-Time Approval Workflow – Users can request approval; IT can approve and apply policy within 60 seconds.		
3	Cloud-Based Testing Environment – Evaluate unknown software in a virtual sandbox with full behavior visibility.		
4	Ringfencing – Enforce boundaries between applications to prevent unauthorized interaction (e.g., Word calling PowerShell).		
5	Application Behavior Analysis – Detect and log unexpected actions like registry edits, file writes, or external communication.		
6	Dynamic ACLs & Network Control – Centrally manage per-endpoint firewall rules and dynamic access controls.		
7	Storage Control – Block or allow access to USB, OneDrive, SharePoint, and network shares by application/user/time/file type.		
8	Audit Trail – Unified log of application executions, network actions, storage access, and elevation events (minimum 90-day retention).		
9	Elevation Control Without Admin Rights – Temporarily or persistently elevate specific applications without revealing local admin credentials.		
10	Configuration Manager – Centralized policy engine for Defender, Office macros, USB autorun, SMBv1, etc., with support for Entra-only environments.		
11	Insights Dashboard – Risk scoring and behavioral insights drawn from a global threat database to guide policy decisions.		
12	Patch Management – Consolidated system for deploying software updates with scheduling, rollback, and optional pre-patch sandbox validation.		
13	User Store – Self-service catalog of pre-approved software with automatic allowlisting and optional Ringfencing policies.		
14	Web Control – Native DNS-level filtering and category-based website blocking without third-party integrations.		
15	Cloud Control – Microsoft 365 access limited to trusted device networks/IPs to prevent token theft and phishing-based compromise.		

7.0 Requirements for All Proposals

7.1 All required JPS Business Office forms and signature pages
7.2 One-page executive summary
7.3 Technical proposal outlining how a solution addresses goals and scope
7.4 Cost proposal including:
7.5 Full three-year prepaid licensing, support, and updates
7.6 Hardware/software cost breakdown (if applicable)
7.7 Timeline and milestones for deployment projections. We do not have the exact date set for project initiation; however, we need to clearly see the project lifecycle duration projection.
7.8 Support and training plan
7.9 References from at least three similarly sized K12 or enterprise customers
7.10 Completed section 6.0 Minimum Required Features
7.11 Completed Pricing Grid Sections 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3
7.12 Detailed quotes to support the costs outlined in the Pricing Grids

Recipient of Services

Site Name	Physical Address	City	ST	Zip
Bailey Apac Middle School	1900 N State St	Jackson	MS	39202
Blackburn Middle School	1311 W Pearl St	Jackson	MS	39203
Boyd Elementary School	4531 Broadmeadow Dr	Jackson	MS	39206
Brinkley Middle School	3535 Albermarle Rd	Jackson	MS	39213
Callaway High School	601 Beasley Rd	Jackson	MS	39206
Capital City Alternative	2221 Boling St	Jackson	MS	39213
Cardozo Middle School	3180 McDowell Rd Ext	Jackson	MS	39212
Casey Elementary School	2101 Lake Cir	Jackson	MS	39211
Chastain Middle School	4650 Manhattan Rd	Jackson	MS	39206
Clausell Elementary School	3330 Harley St	Jackson	MS	39209
Barack Obama Magnet Elementary School	750 N Congress St	Jackson	MS	39202
Forest Hill High School	2607 Raymond Rd	Jackson	MS	39212
Galloway Elementary School	186 Idlewild St	Jackson	MS	39203
Bates Elementary School (Gladys Noel)	3180 McDowell Rd Ext	Jackson	MS	39204
Green Elementary School	610 Forest Ave	Jackson	MS	39206
Hardy Middle School	545 Ellis Ave	Jackson	MS	39209
Isable Elementary School	1716 Isable St	Jackson	MS	39204
French Elementary School	311 Joel Avenue	Jackson	MS	39209
Hill High School (Jim Hill HS)	2185 Fortune St	Jackson	MS	39204
John Hopkins Elementary School	170 John Hopkins Rd.	Jackson	MS	39209
Johnson Elementary School	1339 Oak Park Dr	Jackson	MS	39213
Key Elementary School	699 W McDowell Rd	Jackson	MS	39204
Kirksey Middle School	5677 Highland Drive	Jackson	MS	39206
Lake Elementary School	472 Mount Vernon Ave	Jackson	MS	39209
Lanier High School	833 West Maple St	Jackson	MS	39203
McLeod Elementary School	1616 Sandlewood Pl	Jackson	MS	39211
McWillie Elementary School	4851 McWillie Circle	Jackson	MS	39206
Morrison Center	1224 Eminence Row	Jackson	MS	39213
Murrah High School	1400 Murrah Dr	Jackson	MS	39202
North Jackson Elementary School	650 James M Davis Drive	Jackson	MS	39206
Northwest Jackson Middle School	7020 Highway 49 N	Jackson	MS	39213
Oak Forest Elementary School	1831 Smallwood Dr	Jackson	MS	39212
Pecan Park Elementary School	415 Claiborne Ave	Jackson	MS	39209
Peeples Middle School	2940 Belvedere Drive	Jackson	MS	39212
Poindexter Center (fka Poindexter ES)	1017 Robinson St	Jackson	MS	39203
Powell Middle School	3655 Livingston Rd	Jackson	MS	39213
Power Elementary School (Wells)	1120 Riverside Dr	Jackson	MS	39202
Provine High School	2400 Robinson St	Jackson	MS	39209

Site Name	Physical Address	City	ST	Zip
Raines Elementary School	156 Flag Chapel Rd	Jackson	MS	39209
Smith Elementary School	3900 Parkway Ave	Jackson	MS	39213
Spann Elementary School	1615 Brecon Dr	Jackson	MS	39211
Timberlawn Elementary School	1980 N Siwell Rd	Jackson	MS	39209
Van Winkle Elementary School	1655 Whiting Rd	Jackson	MS	39209
Walton Elementary School	3200 Bailey Ave	Jackson	MS	39213
Whitten Middle School (Shirley)	210 Daniel Lake Blvd	Jackson	MS	39212
Wilkins Elementary School	1970 Castle Hill Dr	Jackson	MS	39204
Career Development Center	2703 First Ave	Jackson	MS	39209
Transportation North	4015 Watkins Dr	Jackson	MS	39206
Transportation South	1525 Linde Rd	Jackson	MS	39204
Enoch Complex	101 Near St	Jackson	MS	39203
Environmental Learning Center	6190 Hwy 18	Jackson	MS	39204
Central Office	662 South President St	Jackson	MS	39201
Henley Young Juvenile Justice Center	940 East McDowell Rd	Jackson	MS	39204

1. **Cybersecurity Compliance**. Service providers (offerors) must comply with FCC Cybersecurity Pilot program rules as set forth by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-63A1.pdf
2. **Disqualification – FCC Form 498 ID Status.** If the offeror is under FCC red light status or does not have an FCC Form 498 ID (service provider identification number), the offeror may be disqualified by the applicant school or library. If at any time during the contract period the service provider is red lighted, debarred, or otherwise no longer eligible to participate in the Cybersecurity program, the applicant reserves the right to terminate the contract.
3. **Equivalent products and services.** Proposals are requested for the specified manufacturer, part, model number OR EQUIVALENT.
4. **Mandatory Offerors' Conference or Walk Through.**

☐ APPLIES TO THIS RFP	☒ DOES NOT APPLY FOR THIS RFP

   a. **Disqualification – Mandatory Offerors' Conference.** If the offeror does not attend a mandatory offerors' conference, walk through, or other mandatory meeting listed in the Offerors' Conference section, the offeror may be disqualified by the applicant school or library.
5. **Questions**. Questions must be submitted prior to the end of the question period. Questions must be submitted in writing following the method prescribed in the RFP and must be submitted by the deadline established in the RFP. Questions and answers will be available as outlined in the RFP and as required by FCC and USAC regulations.
6. **Proposal Acceptance**. The applicant school or library reserves the right to accept some, all or none of the items included in the proposal. Notification of proposal acceptance or proposal rejection will be provided at the discretion of the applicant school or library.
7. **Modification or Withdrawal of Proposal**: Vendors are advised to consult the JPSD Business Office or Central Bidding for current guidance on withdrawing or modifying a proposal.
8. **Clarifying Questions** – The applicant may choose to ask clarifying questions or request additional information from the offerors using the directions outlined in this proposal. All communication must follow the manner outlined in the proposal.
9. **All Costs.** Pricing proposed by the offeror must include all costs associated with the requested products/services to the applicant but not limited to taxes, shipping, etc. Offerors must provide unit pricing for each item. Incomplete/partial proposals will not be considered. Price increases will not be allowed during the term quoted. Prices may be lowered based on market conditions.
10. **Cost Allocation**. Offerors must clearly separate E-Rate eligible costs from ineligible costs that are not eligible under Cybersecurity Pilot Program.
11. **Contracts**. Offerors for services other than tariffs or month-to-month arrangements must include a contract or legally binding agreement in response to this RFP with signature block for both service provider and applicant. The agreement should be provided in form only and will not be completed and executed until after proposals are awarded by applicant and negotiations completed as applicable. Quotes are not considered a legally binding agreement.

12. **Contract Terms.** Offerors must clearly define contract terms for all pricing submitted. The applicant school or library may consider multi-year contracts featuring voluntary renewals. The applicant will reserve the right to extend or abbreviate the contract period if such extension or abbreviation is necessary to make the Contract term coincide with a Cybersecurity Pilot Program "program year". The contract expiration for non-recurring services and software/license purchases that may be classified as recurring by USAC shall be automatically extended to align with SLD authorized extensions due to late funding and changes in products and/or services approved on or after March 1st or upon certification of a FCC Form 500 Service Delivery Deadline Extension Request as those terms are defined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and/or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). Pricing remains firm for the term period of April 1, 2025, through September 30, 2028. The applicant will reserve the right to extend or abbreviate the contract period if such extension or abbreviation is necessary to make the Contract term coincide with an Cybersecurity "program year" or an extended service end date for an Cybersecurity program year pursuant to a "service delivery deadline extension," as those terms are defined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and/or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC).
13. **Description of Proposal.** Offerors will provide a description of their proposal for all services and solutions. Description will include an overview of the proposal, any deviations from the requested architecture, design or requirements, assumptions made, and any other details that may be useful or necessary for proper evaluation of the proposal.
14. **Authorized Signatures** – Proposals must be signed by an individual or officer of the firm authorized to legally bind Vendor when submitting the proposal. Unsigned proposals will not be accepted.
15. **Addenda** – In the event revisions to this document become necessary, addendum will be provided by upload to the relevant Form 470 and the bidding portal.
16. **Required Notice to Proceed and Funding Availability.** The applicant will follow the purchasing policies of their governing board and requirements and procedures of the FCC's E-Rate program as administered by USAC to be eligible for all available funding. The implementation of any associated contracts resulting from this competitive proposal process will be dependent on the applicant's issuance of a written Notice to Proceed. E-Rate funding notification alone will not signify Notice to Proceed. The applicant will have the right to allow the contract to expire without implementation if appropriate funding does not become available.
17. **Proposals for Cybersecurity Pilot Program products and services.**
    a. Proposals for equipment should clearly list the location where the equipment will be installed if that has been specified in the proposal.
    b. Proposals should meet industry standards and comply with applicable local, state and federal codes and regulations. For example, network wiring/cabling should meet or exceed EIA/TIA standards and national Electrical code standards.
    c. Equipment should be properly configured, installed and tested.
    d. Include all items necessary for equipment to be fully operational including necessary cabling, connectors, components, installation, configuration, travel, per diem, and any other applicable fees.
    e. All installed equipment and cabling should be labeled.
    f. In addition to standard labeling (i.e. patch panels labeled with cable number), equipment should be labeled with E-Rate information as follows:
        i. Funding Request Number (FRN)
        Form 471 Application Number
        Purchase Order Number
        Installation Date

g. Offerors must include a statement of work (SOW)
h. Proposals for new equipment should include a standard manufacturer's warranty (up to three years)
i. The value of any free products and/or services must be deducted from the cost of the proposal.
j. Proposals should include installation and configuration unless otherwise noted
k. Proposals should clearly describe all costs including installation, configuration, shipping and handling charges on a per site basis unless otherwise noted.

18. Site and Service Substitution (Contract Modification).

a. The applicant hereby provides notice to all interested vendors that site and/or service substitutions may be necessary during the term of the contract. Any agreement signed as a result of this RFP should contemplate the possibility of the applicant changing products or services within the guidelines set forth by the FCC. All vendors are also hereby provided notice that the applicant may add new locations to its network during the life of the contract, and existing sites may move or close. The contract(s) entered into as a result of this RFP should allow for said site/service substitutions. Vendors are to describe their process for amending the contract to accommodate site/service substitutions during the contract term.

19. Cybersecurity Budget Requirements.

a. During the Cybersecurity application process and prior to issuance of Cybersecurity funding, the applicant may need to make changes to the quantities and items selected in order to stay within their cybersecurity pilot program budget approved by the FCC. [2] The applicant may contact the awarded offeror to adjust quantities in order to meet the Cybersecurity budget allocated to the district. The selected service provider is expected to respond timely with revised proposals and contracts for the applicant to ensure that the selected products and services are at or below the applicant's budget cap. The selected service provider will need to provide all the information necessary regarding reduction in quantities and associated installation, configuration, shipping and handling charges.

20. Documentation and Audit Compliance.

a. The service provider shall provide all warranty and product documentation related to products or services sold to the applicant.
b. The service provider shall retain all documentation related to the purchase and payment, including Forms 474 and receipt of payment from USAC, for all products and services provided to the applicant. Related documentation must be retained for a period of TEN years from the last date of service.
c. If the applicant is audited by the Administrator of the program, the service provider shall fully cooperate with the applicant to provide any documentation related to the provision of discounted products and services as requested.
d. The service provider and/or applicant is solely responsible for verifying the accuracy of information submitted to Kellogg & Sovereign® Consulting (K&S). K&S disclaims and makes no warranty, express or implied, nor assumes any legal liability or responsibility for the validity, accuracy, correctness, or completeness of any information that is provided by the service provider or applicant to K&S.
e. By submitting proposals for K&S client schools & libraries, the service provider agrees and understands that K&S will forward the information to USAC, and the service provider is responsible for verifying the accuracy of information submitted to K&S.

f. Kellogg & Sovereign® Consulting shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, consequential or exemplary damages, including but not limited to, damages for loss of profits, data or other intangible losses (even if K&S has been advised of the possibility of such damages), resulting from the service provider's non-response or incomplete response and/or the service provider's inaccurate, invalid, incorrect, or incomplete provision of information.

21. Service Provider Responsibilities

a. The agreement herein is contingent upon the approval of funding from the Universal Service Fund's Schools and Library Program.

b. The applicant requires that Service Providers make themselves thoroughly familiar with any rules or regulations regarding the FCC Cybersecurity Pilot program. https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-63A1.pd

c. Service Providers are required to be in full compliance with all current requirements and future requirements issued by the SLD throughout the contractual period of any contract entered into as a result of this RFP.

d. Service Providers are responsible for providing a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) at the time the RFP is submitted. https://www.usac.org/e-rate/service-providers/step-1-obtain-a-spin/

e. Service Providers are responsible for providing a valid Federal Communications Commissions (FCC) Registration Number at the time the RFP is submitted. https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/publicHome.do

f. Service Providers are responsible for providing evidence of FCC Green Light Status at the time the proposal is submitted. Any potential offeror found to be in Red Light Status must provide an explanation of the steps it is undertaking to be removed to Red Light Status and the expected timeframe for resolution. A Service Provider's sustained Red-Light Status may be grounds for contract termination as it could prohibit the Service Provider from providing E-Rate discounts in a timely manner which would cause harm to the Applicant. https://www.fcc.gov/general/red-light-frequently-asked-questions

g. Products and services must be delivered before billing can commence. At no time shall the Service Provider invoice before July 1, 2025.

h. Prices must be held firmly for the duration of the associated Cybersecurity Funding Year(s) or until all work associated with the project is complete (including any contracts and USAC approved extensions).

i. The **default method of invoicing** for all Funding Requests (FRN) created as a result of this RFP **will be the Form 474 Service Provider invoice (SPI)** unless the applicant explicitly requests Form 472 Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement method.

j. The Service Provider agrees to bill and receive a portion of the payment for the provisions of goods and services described herein directly from USAC via the Form 474 Service Provider invoice (SPI). The maximum percentage the applicant will be liable for is the pre-discount amount minus the funded amount as shown on the FCC Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) and any identified ineligible costs. Upon the successful receipt or posting of a Funding Commitment Decision letter from the SLD and submission, certification and USAC approval of Form 486, the applicant shall pay only the discounted amount beginning with the billing cycle immediately following said approval.

k. All Service Provider invoicing to USAC must be completed within 90 days from the last day of service in accordance with § 54.2001. Should the Service Provider fail to invoice USAC in a timely manner, the Applicant will only be responsible for paying its non-discounted share. Service Providers shall retain all documentation related to the purchase, payment, delivery and/or installation, including Forms 474 and

receipt of payment from USAC, for all products and services provided to the applicant. Related documentation must be retained for a period of 10 years from the last date of service. https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-63A1.pdf

l. Within one (1) week of award, the awarded Service Provider will provide the Applicant with a bill of materials suitable for the Form 471 item 21 attachment. Approval for any deviation from the item 21 attachment must be obtained from the Applicant. Subsequent schedules of values and invoices for each site In the event of questions during a Cybersecurity pre-commitment review, post commitment review and/or audit inquiry, the awarded Service Provider is expected to reply within three (3) days to questions associated with its proposal.

m. No change in the products and/or services specified in this document orders will be allowed without prior written approval from the Applicant and a USAC service substitution approval with the exception of a Global Service Substitution.

n. The Service Provider acknowledges that all pricing and technology infrastructure information in its proposal shall be considered as public and non-confidential pursuant to 47 CFR §54.504 (2) (i) (ii).

o. The Service Provider acknowledges that its offer is considered to be the lowest corresponding price pursuant to §54.511 (b). Should it not be the lowest corresponding price, the Service Provider must disclose the conditions leading to the applicant being charged more than the lowest corresponding price.

p. This offer is in full compliance with USAC's Free Services Advisory. There are no free services that would predict an artificial discount and preclude the applicant from paying its proportionate non- discounted share of costs. The Service Provider agrees to provide substantiating documentation to support this assertion should the applicant, USAC, or FCC, request it. The service providers are prohibited from offering gifts or anything of value to Pilot participants (schools, libraries, consortium). This includes free cybersecurity services or equipment offered outside of the competitive bidding process. Any free item or discounted service must be clearly disclosed in the procurement or invoicing process.

q. The awarded Service Provider is required to send copies of all forms and invoices to the Applicant prior to invoicing USAC for pre-approval. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the Applicant placing the vendor on an "Invoice Check" with the USAC.

r. The contract must provide cancellation of services without financial penalties if a school is closed. Applicant may cancel services to a school without penalties after a 30-day notice to Service Provider.

s. Goods and services provided shall be clearly designated as "Cybersecurity Eligible". Non-eligible goods and services shall be clearly called out as 100% non-eligible or shall be "cost allocated" to show the percentage of eligible costs per FCC/USAC guidelines .Any proposal submitted in response to this request must be compliant with the FCC's Order (FCC 19-121) prohibiting the sale, provision, maintenance, modification, or other support of equipment or services provided or manufactured by Huawei, ZTE, or any other covered company posing a national security threat to the integrity of communications networks or the communications supply chain. See https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/coveredlist By submitting a response, vendors are certifying compliance with FCC 19-121. In June of 2024, the Commerce Department added Kaspersky Lab prohibited companies on the Covered List. https://www.usac.org/wp-content/uploads/e-rate/documents/cyber_pilot/webinar_slides/Service-Provider-Webinar_CBRFINAL.pdf

t. Within one (1) week of award, the awarded Service Provider must provide the Applicant with a bill of materials using the most currently available "Bulk Upload Template" located at https://www.usac.org/e-rate/applicant- process/applying- for-discounts/fcc-form-471-filing/. Subsequent schedules of values and invoices for must match the Bulk Upload Template or subsequent service substitutions.

Evaluation Criteria

Factor	Possible Points	Description
Price of Eligible Goods and Services	30	Price of Cybersecurity eligible products & services (primary factor)
Price-Other Costs	5	Other costs (items not eligible for Cybersecurity and eligible under E-Rate discount)
Prior Experience	20	-Experience with similar projects and references (10 points)
		-Experience with this applicant (10 Points)
Personnel Qualifications	10	-Qualifications of management (5 points)
		-Qualifications of staff (5 points)
Responsiveness	15	-Responsiveness of the bidder-replied promptly to emails, attended optional on-site walk through if applicable (5 points)
		-Proximity of sales and service offices (5 points)
		-Assigned representative is available locally (5 points)
Technical Merit	20	-Quality / technical merit of the proposed solution to meet needs of the applicant. Service level agreement if applicable (10 points)
		-Compliance with listed requirements of the project scope and bidding requirements, whether or not the proposal includes all information requested; timelines met, services will commence as requested by applicants (10 points)

Required Forms

1. FCC Form 498 ID (Service Provider Identification Number)
2. FCC registration Number (FCC RN)
3. Service Providers must comply with local, state, and federal requirements including agreement to fully cooperate with audit and ten-year document retention requirements.
4. Proposal submitted in compliance with proposal instructions
5. Supporting details and documentation may be submitted online.
6. Contracts or legally binding agreement for all products and services must be submitted with the proposal. (Exception for tariffed or month to month service.) *Agreements will be completed AFTER proposal award and final negotiations are completed. Quotations are not acceptable.*
7. Must attend mandatory offerors' conferences IF applicable to this RFP
8. Must complete Attachment A - Pricing
9. Must complete Attachment B – Certifications, Experience and References
10. Must complete Attachment C – Vendor Forms
11. **Proposals submitted after the proposal close date/time or outside of the bidding portal will be rejected/disqualified.**

Attachment A – Pricing Sheet

Name of Company: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Form 470#: _____

Pricing submitted by: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT PROPOSED $_____

Signature acknowledges review of the e-bidding program for the issuance of any related addenda and further acknowledges the signatory is authorized to provide this pricing:

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Combine this completed cover page with your proposal along with Attachments, B and C (if required) as one .pdf file, then upload it with submission.

Attachment B – Certifications, Experience & References

Name of Company: _____

Address of principal location: _____ Fax: _____

FCC Form 498 ID (SPIN): _____

FCC Registration Number: _____

Reference: https://slweb.usac.org/Spin/Search
Reference: https://apps.fcc.gov/coresWeb/publicHome.do

Responsible Contact Personnel

Name	Phone	Email

How many years has your company been in business in its current capacity? _____

How many years has your organization been in business under its present name? _____

Under what other or former names has your company operated? _____

During the last five (5) years, has the Vendor been barred, suspended or otherwise prohibited from participating in the Federal Communication Commission E-Rate (Schools & Libraries) or Rural Health Care Programs?
Yes: _____ No: _____

Does the Vendor's FCC Registration Number have RED light status? Yes: _____ No: _____

- Attach a printout of your FCC Registration Number red or green light status from the FCC's Red Light Display System (RLDS)

During the last five (5) years, has the Vendor been a party to a lawsuit involving any existing or prior contracts as it relates to services performed or not performed? Yes: _____No:_____

- If the Vendor responds yes to any of the prior three questions, please provide information concerning the investigation/lawsuit/government action as an attachment to this form.
- If the Vendor responded yes to the last question, please provide information pertaining to any monetary damages or exchange of property or services and the state in which the lawsuit was filed.

Experience:

Vendor shall provide a list of three (3) projects of similar type, size and complexity. State project (customer) name, description of work, dollar value, public entity, yes or no, and date using the format below. Projects listed must have been performed within the last five (5) years. Please include additional information with the proposal if available.

Project Name	Project Description	Dollar Value	Public Entity (Yes/No)	Date of Project

References:

The proposal shall provide three (3) references from company owners or management personnel from projects listed above. There must be at least one (1) reference for each project listed.

REFERENCE #1	
Company Name	
Project Name	
Contact Person Name	
Title	
Email	
Phone	
REFERENCE #2	
Company Name	
Project Name	
Contact Person Name	
Title	
Email	
Phone	

REFERENCE #3	
Company Name	
Project Name	
Contact Person Name	
Title	
Email	
Phone	

Certifications:

Employees' certifications pertaining to work are to be included in the submittal.

AUTHORIZED BY:

Signature Date

Printed Name Title

Attachment C – Vendor Forms

Board of Trustees

Jackson Public School District

Jackson, Mississippi

Ladies and Gentlemen: I/We propose to furnish and deliver all items and/or to perform all services according to all sections of this rfp document (Proposal Form, Instructions and Conditions, detailed written Specifications, and Addendum if applicable) and in the quantities at the indicated prices, as called for in the document(s). All quantities indicated have been checked very closely, and both unit price and total price (where requested) have been submitted with the understanding that we shall be responsible for making complete and satisfactory delivery accordingly, within the time frame agenda (if applicable).All items contained in this RFP shall be as specified or JPSD approved equal. For any item(s) proposed which is other than as specified, a complete and detailed cut and description for each item(s) must accompany the rfp, if the item(s) is to be considered. Please carefully read each section of this RFP.

Acceptance.of.Proposals¿.

The Jackson Public School District reserves the right to:

- Have sole discretion to waive minor irregularities in proposals. A minor irregularity is a variation from the proposal that does not affect the proposal or gives one offeror an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by other offerors or adversely impacts the interests of the school district.
- Accept the "lowest and best" RFP which in their judgment assures JPSD the product(s) or service(s) having the best performance and the highest level of function, quality, and value.
- Not accept the lowest priced proposal. Proposals that do not comply with the requirements stated within this RFP subject to disqualification. Proposals that do not meet the deadline date/time will be returned to the vendor unopened.
- Request additional information or conduct discussions with one or more respondents after the RFP deadline; to secure a final selection to award RFP should such action be in the best interest of JPSD.

I/WE UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT NEITHER THE AWARD OF THIS RFP TO ME/US BY THE DISTRICT'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOR RECEIPT BY ME/US OF A NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF THIS RFP SHALL CONSTITUTE THE MAKING OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN JPSD AND ME/US, WHICH SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON THE EXECUTION BY BOTH JPSD AND ME/US OF A FORMAL, WRITTEN AGREEMENT.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ FAX _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PRINTED SIGNATURE __ _____

WRITTEN SIGNATURE _____

TITLE _____

DATE _____

CIRCLE THE OPERATING STATUS OF YOUR BUSINESS AS INDICATED:

WOMAN OWNED NON-MINORITY MINORITY WOMAN AND MINORITY

Acknowledgment of Addendum(s)

Addendum Number		Date	
Addendum Number		Date	
Addendum Number		Date	
Addendum Number		Date	

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Post Office Box 2338 - Jackson, Mississippi 39225-2338

Email form to mmays@jackson.k12.ms.us or todom@jackson.k12.ms.us | Fax to (601-960-8967

School/Department Requesting Vendor Addition _____

To be completed by Vendor: Please complete all sections:

Will your company accept purchase orders? ☐Yes ☐No

Note: As an approved Vendor, you agree not to accept any order from JPS without an approved purchase.

Orders taken and completed without a Purchase Order will be considered a Donation to JPS.

Are you an employee of the Jackson Public School District? ☐Yes ☐No

PRODUCT LINE: _____

Parent Company Name: _____ Doing Business As (DBA) Name: _____

Parent Company Tax #: _____ D/B/A Federal Tax ID/Social Security #: _____

Physical Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip-code _____

Remittance Address: **(If Different):**

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip-code _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Fax: (_____) _____ Email Address: _____

Select One: This information will be used to track purchases from minority vendors.

Minority Code: ☐Woman & Minority ☐ Minority ☐Non-Minority ☐Woman

Type of Entity: ☐Individual/Sole Proprietor ☐Corporation ☐Partnership ☐Other

Submitted By: Signature _____ Date _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED: The following forms must be submitted

FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

Vendor Number: _____ 1099: ☐Yes ☐No

Completed By: _____ Date: _____

☐ Certificate of Liability Insurance for not less than $1,000,000 as stated in Mississippi Code Section § 31-7-13(v) ☐ IRS W-9 Form Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Proposal Cover Page

VENDOR INFORMATION

Name and Title _____

Company Name_____Date_____

SUBMISSION.COVER.SHEET.AND.CONFIGURATION.SUMMARY

By my signature below, I hereby represent that I am authorized to and do bind the offeror to the provisions of the attached proposal. The undersigned offers and agrees to perform the specified personal and professional services in accordance with provisions set forth in the Request for Proposals. Furthermore, the undersigned fully understands and assures compliance with the Conditions of Solicitation and Standard Terms and Conditions contained in the RFP. The undersigned is fully aware of the evaluation criteria to be utilized in vendor selection for approval. I further certify that _____ is an authorized dealer in good standing of the products/services included in the proposal submitted in response to the RFP.

_____ _____

Authorized Signature Date

_____

Printed Signature

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CONFIGURATION.SUMMARY

Vendor.must.provide.a.summary.of.the.main.component.of.the.services.offered.in.this.proposal.using.766.words.or.le

ASSURANCES AND SIGNATURE FORM

In.submitting.this.application?I.certify.that¿

1. The organization will comply with applicable federal, state, and local policies and procedures.

2. Services will be provided under the supervision of highly qualified teachers and/or administrators.

3. The organization will maintain professionalism and confidentiality.

4. The organization is fiscally sound and will be able to complete services to the local educational agency.

5. The organization will ensure that the services provided are aligned the Mississippi Curriculum Frameworks and scientifically research based practices.

6. The organization will comply with applicable federal, state, and local health, safety, and civil rights laws.

7. Provisions that subject all individuals employed by or otherwise associated with the approved provider, including volunteers, support staff, etc., who have direct contact with students, to the fingerprint and criminal history record check contained in law, including, Education Laws 305(30), 1125(3), 1604(39), 1604(40), 1709(39), 1709(40), 1804(9), 1804(10), 1950(4)(11), 1950(4)(mm), 2503 (18), 2503(19), 2554(25), 2554(26, 2590-h (20), 2854(3)(a-2), 2854(3)(a-3), and 3035.

8. All services will be secular, neutral, and non-ideological.

9. The organization will provide the local educational agency with information regarding implementation of proposal initiatives in increasing achievement, in a format, and to the extent practicable, a language or other mode of communication such that district personnel, parents / legal guardians, and community members can understand.

The undersigned hereby certifies that I am an individual authorized to act on behalf of the organization in submitting this application and assurances. I certify that all of the information provided herein is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the discovery of deliberately misrepresented information contained herein may constitute grounds for denying the applicant's request for approval.

Name of Organization

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date Signed

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR DEBARMENT VERIFICATION FORM

(Please print clearly or type)

\\Appropriate.signatures.shall.certify.statements.below¡

FEDERAL DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION:

Subgrantee's/Contractor's Name	
Authorized Official's Name	
Complete Address	
Contact Number	
Are you currently registered to do business in the State of Mississippi? (Yes or No) If yes, attach supporting documentation of registration status. If, no please register and provide documentation of registration status. (**State/Other fund requirement)**	

CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that at the execution of a contract with the Jackson Public School District (JPS) that the CONTRACTOR is not on the list for federal debarment on www.sam.gov – System for Award Management.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI REGISTRATION:

CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that at the execution of a contract with the Jackson Public School District (JPS) that the CONTRACTOR is not on the list for debarment on www.sos.ms.gov for doing business with the State of Mississippi or with any Mississippi State Agency.

PARTNERSHIP DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION:

CONTRACTOR hereby certify that all entities who are in partnership through this contract or grant with the Jackson Public School District (JPS) (subcontractors, subrecipients, et al.) are not on the federal debarment list on www.sam.gov – System for Award Management or the State of Mississippi debarment list. Proof of documentation of partnership verification with SAM shall be kept on file and the debarment status shall be checked prior to submission of every contract/subgrant and modification to JPS.

_____

Original.Signature.of.Contractor.or.Authorized.Official.....Date

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR DEBARMENT VERIFICATION FORM*

(Please print clearly or type)

\\Appropriate.signatures.shall.certify.statements.below¡

FEDERAL DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION:

CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that at the execution of a contract with the Jackson Public School District

Subgrantee's/Contractor's Name	
Authorized Official's Name	
Complete Address	
Contact Number	
Are you currently registered with www.sam.gov (Yes or No) If yes, attach supporting documentation and DUNS number must be Active with open access. **(Federal fund requirement)**	
Are you currently registered to do business in the State of Mississippi? (Yes or No) If yes, attach supporting documentation of registration status. If not, please register and provide documentation of registration status. **(Federal and State/Other fund requirement)**	

(JPS), that the CONTRACTOR is not on the list for federal debarment on www.sam.gov – System for Award Management.

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_____ _____

.Original.Signature.of.Contractor.or.Authorized.Official.....Date

Jackson Public Schools Submission Price Page

Jackson Public School District

662 South President Street

Jackson, MS 39201

RFP Proposal _____

RFP Title _____

_____

Submission Deadline Date and Time: _____

Participating Vendor Name_____

Address_____

Handwritten Signature_____

Print Name _____

Addendums Acknowledge Yes_____ or No _____

1.1 Cybersecurity Pilot Program Cost			
Line Item	Cybersecurity Eligible	Ineligible under Cyber	Total
Year 1 Total Cost			
Year 2 Total Cost			
Year 3 Total Cost			
Total Proposal Cost			

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