

La Vega Independent School District BEN Number: 141141
Request for Proposals (RFP)
Year 29 E-Rate FY 2026 Funding (USAC E-Rate Program)
Form 470 Application Number: 260006042
Date Issued: November 13, 2025

1. Introduction

La Vega Independent School District (La Vega ISD) invites qualified vendors to submit proposals for eligible products and services under the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) E-Rate Program for Funding Year 2026.

Vendors must be **USAC-approved E-Rate service providers** with a valid **Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN)**, which must be included in the proposal. Vendors may bid on any or all portions of this RFP and must comply with the **Texas Education Agency (TEA) Financial Accountability Guidelines, Module 3: Purchasing**.

2. Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Factor	Points
Price of Eligible Service / Product	45
Reputation of Vendor / Service	10
Past Relationship with Vendor	15
Local or In-State Vendor	10
Service / Product Meets District Needs	10
Ability to Comply with Federal Program Rules	5
Attending Mandatory Meeting (In-Person or Online)	5
Total Possible Points	100

3. Mandatory Vendor Meeting

Vendors bidding on **Internal Connections (Category 2)** services are required to attend one (1) **mandatory bid meeting**, either in-person or online.

Meeting Location:

La Vega ISD Technology Department
3101 Latimer, Building F
Waco, TX 76705

Please contact **(254) 299-6725** to confirm in-person attendance or to request an online meeting link.

4. Proposal Submission Instructions

Deadline:

All proposals must be received no later than **10:00 AM, Tuesday, December 16, 2025**.

Delivery Options:

Proposals may be **hand-delivered, mailed, emailed, or faxed** to:

La Vega ISD Technology Department

Attn: Justin Peebles, Director of Technology
3101 Latimer, Building F
Waco, TX 76705
Phone: (254) 299-6725 | Fax: (254) 867-1513

Late submissions will not be accepted, regardless of delivery method.

La Vega ISD reserves the right to:

- Accept any part or all parts of a vendor's bid or proposal.
 - Accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the District.
 - Waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding process.
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5. Funding Contingency

Contracts awarded under this RFP are **contingent upon E-Rate funding approval**.

In the event that USAC denies or reduces funding, La Vega ISD reserves the right to void all or part of any awarded contracts.

6. Requested Services and Products

Category 1 – Internet Access

- Renewal of **10Gbps Internet connection** for a **minimum 3-year term**, with voluntary renewal options if available.
- **Service Address:** La Vega Elementary School, 3100 Wheeler St., Waco, TX 76705
- **Connection Type:** Fiber handoff required.

Category 2 – Internal Connections (Hardware / Software)

La Vega High School

- HP Aruba CX 6200M 48 port POE+ Switch with stacking cables (or equivalent) – 15+ units
- Managed license for switch, 5-year term (or equivalent) – 15+ units
- HP 10G SFP+ Transceiver (or equivalent) – 2+ units
- Installation and configuration must be included

La Vega Junior High School

- HP Aruba CX 6200M 48 port POE+ Switch with stacking cables (or equivalent) – 7+ units
- Managed license for switch, 5-year term (or equivalent) – 7+ units
- HP 10G SFP+ Transceiver (or equivalent) – 1+ unit
- Installation and configuration must be included

La Vega Intermediate School

- HP Aruba CX 6200M 48 port POE+ Switch with stacking cables (or equivalent) – 7+ units
- Managed license for switch, 5-year term (or equivalent) – 7+ units
- HP 10G SFP+ Transceiver (or equivalent) – 2+ unit
- Installation and configuration must be included

La Vega Elementary School

- HP Aruba CX 6200M 48 port POE+ Switch with stacking cables (or equivalent) – 1+ units
 - Managed license for switch, 5-year term (or equivalent) – 1+ units
 - HP 10G SFP+ Transceiver (or equivalent) – 1+ unit
 - Installation and configuration must be included
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7. Additional Requirements

All bids must include **all components, cabling, software, and licenses** required to make the equipment and services fully operational.

Include pricing for:

- Maintenance and Technical Support
- Configuration Changes
- Construction Costs (where applicable)
- Contingency Fees (where applicable)
- Extended Warranty
- Freight Assurance
- Lease Fees (if applicable)
- Shipping and Handling
- Taxes, Surcharges, and Other Charges
- Technical Services

Important:

All **ineligible equipment and services** must be clearly identified and quoted **separately**.

8. Vendor Information

Each proposal must include:

- Company Name
- Address
- Phone Number
- Contact Person
- SPIN Number

Discounted services are preferred.

9. Contact Information

Primary Contact:

Justin Peebles

Director of Technology

Phone: (254) 299-6725 | Fax: (254) 867-1513

If unavailable, contact:

Scott Muesse – (254) 299-6727

or the Technology Secretary – (254) 299-6720

10. Closing

La Vega ISD appreciates your interest in partnering with our district to enhance our technology infrastructure and connectivity. We look forward to receiving your proposal.

Sincerely,

Justin Peebles

Director of Technology

La Vega Independent School District