CYPRESS FAIRBANKS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

To: **Charles Franklin**
Assistant Superintendent of Technology and Information Services

From: **Kim Bowlin**
Assistant Director, Technology Support Services

Date: **April 13, 2026**

Re: **E-Rate - Internet and Related Services for DataBank HOU2 Project #26-07-7168R-RFP**
Five-Year Contract #26-07-7168R-RFP

The following proposals were received and opened at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2026, as advertised and specified in documents concerning proposal **#26-07-7168R-RFP E-Rate - Internet and Related Services for DataBank HOU2 Project.** The proposals received are located on page 2.

Recommendation: **Cogent Communications, LLC.**

Estimated Expenditure:

$209,000.00	(3 yr. contract)
$84,000.00	(optional yr. 1)
$84,000.00	(optional yr. 2)
$377,000.00	

Contract Term: July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2029

Renewal: Two Optional One-Year Terms
July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2030
July 1, 2030 - June 30, 2031

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Bid Evaluation

RFP Close Date: March 11, 2026 at 2:00 PM
Service Description: #26-07-7168R-RFP (E-Rate - Internet and Related Services for DataBank HOU2 Project)
Funding Year Base Contract: 2026 - 2028
Funding Year Optional Renewals: 2029 - 2030
School Name: Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

Average Score for Evaluators								
Factor(s)	**Points**							
		Astound Business Solutions	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Crown Castle Fiber LLC.**	**Events by Aba, LLC.**	**Pure Speed Lightwave**	**Zayo Group LLC.**
SPIN		**143024443**	**143025258**	**143003990**	**143005274**	**No SPIN**	**143035542**	**143023855**
Date bid was received		**3/10/2026 1:11 PM (CT)**	**3/11/2026 12:42 PM (CT)**	**3/9/2026 7:00 PM (CT)**	**3/10/2026 8:51 AM (CT)**	**3/3/2026 10:11 AM (CT)**	**3/3/2026 04:17 PM (CT)**	**3/11/2026 12:24 PM (CT)**
The purchase price of E-Rate eligible goods and services a. Lowest proposed eligible cost for three-year base contract/vendor's three-year eligible cost * 25 (maximum points)	25	25.00	11.50	10.41	11.35	0.00	12.05	16.79
The reputation of vendor and of the vendor's goods and services: a. Evaluation of feedback from references regarding similar products and / or services purchased from vendor	5	1.67	1.67	4.97	0.00	0.00	3.30	3.33
The quality of the vendor's goods or services: a. E-Rate Service of Internet in Texas b. Peering DB Interconnection Results	20	12.50	20.00	13.75	10.00	0.00	12.50	15.00
The extent to which the goods or services meet the District's needs: a. Ability to scale services as required by RFP b. Burstable service c. SLA d. Support e. Network Architecture	20	9.00	20.00	11.00	10.50	0.00	14.50	18.00
The vendor's past relationship with the District a. Evaluation of experience the vendor has with delivering products or services to CFISD	15	1.13	14.63	0.38	0.38	0.00	10.88	0.38
Long Term cost to District a. Lowest Proposed Long-Term Cost / Vendor's Proposal Long Term Cost* 5 (maximum points)	5	5.00	2.29	2.02	2.23	0.00	2.29	3.33
Any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids or proposals a. Is the Proposer a Tier One Provider?	10	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Notes (See explanation below)								
Total Points	100.00	54.29	**80.09**	42.52	34.46	0.00	55.51	66.83

Explanation: The committee's recommendation is to award to Cogent Communications, LLC. They provided the best value to the district and had the most technical points awarded from evaluators.

Note: Events by Aba, LLC. is a vendor that provides bounce house and water slide rentals. They are not an internet service provider with a service provider annual certification (SPAC) or a service provider identification number (SPIN). No pricing was submitted or included in the RFP response for Internet services. They were excluded from scoring.

Point Explanation

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The purchase price of E-Rate eligible goods and services a. Lowest proposal three-year eligible costs / vendor's three-year eligible costs * 25 (maximum points)	25	25.00	11.50	10.41	11.35	0.00	12.05	16.79
	Price Points = Lowest Proposed Price / Vendor's Proposal Price *25. Three-year costs (base contract) was used for the eligible price points. See Eligible Price Points tab for more information.							
The reputation of vendor and of the vendor's goods and services: a. Evaluation of feedback from references regarding similar products and / or services purchased from vendor	5	1.67	1.67	4.97	0.00	0.00	3.30	3.33
	Reference Points = (Reference Score 1 + Reference Score 2 + Reference Score 3) / 3*5 (maximum reference points). See Reference tab for more information.							
The quality of the vendor's goods or services: a. E-Rate Service of Internet in Texas b. Peering DB Interconnection Results	20	12.50	20.00	13.75	10.00	0.00	12.50	15.00
	Quality Points = Average of 4 evaluators quality points from individual score sheets.							
The extent to which the goods or services meet the District's needs: a. Ability to scale services as required by RFP b. Burstable service c. SLA d. Support e. Network Architecture	20	9.00	20.00	11.00	10.50	0.00	14.50	18.00
	Meets the Needs Points = Average of 4 evaluators quality points from individual score sheets.							
The vendor's past relationship with the District a. Evaluation of experience the vendor has with delivering products or services to CFISD	15	1.13	14.63	0.38	0.38	0.00	10.88	0.38
	Past Relationship Points = Average of 4 evaluators quality points from individual score sheets.							
Long Term cost to District a. Lowest Proposed Long-Term Cost / Vendor's Proposal Long Term Cost* 5 (maximum points)	5	5.00	2.29	2.02	2.23	0.00	2.29	3.33
	Long Term Points = (Lowest Proposal Price / Vendor's Price) * 5. See Long Term Costs tab for more information.							
Any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids or proposals a. Is the Proposer a Tier One Provider?	10	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
	Other Points = Tier 1 Providers received 10 points. Non Tier 1 providers received 0 points.							
Total Points	100.00	54.29	80.09	42.52	34.46	0.00	55.51	66.83

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7	**School Name:**		Cypress-Fairbanks ISD														
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9														**Summary Score for Evaluator**			
10	**Factor(s)**	**Points**	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3
11			**Astound Business Solutions**	**Astound Business Solutions**	**Astound Business Solutions**	**Astound Business Solutions**	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Crown Castle Fiber LLC.**	**Crown Castle Fiber LLC.**	**Crown Castle Fiber LLC.**
12	**SPIN**		**143024443**	**143024443**	**143024443**	**143024443**	**143035907**	**143025258**	**143025258**	**143025258**	**143003990**	**143003990**	**143003990**	**143003990**	**143005274**	**143005274**	**143005274**
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14																	
15	The purchase price of E-Rate eligible goods and services a. Lowest proposal four year with two optional renewals eligible cost with installation / vendor's four year with two optional renewals eligible cost with installation. * 25 (maximum points)	25	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.41	10.41	10.41	10.41	11.35	11.35	11.35
16																	
17	The reputation of vendor and of the vendor's goods and services: a. Evaluation of feedback from references regarding similar products and / or services purchased from vendor (vendor score card)	5	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67	4.97	4.97	4.97	4.97	0.00	0.00	0.00
18																	
19	The quality of the vendor's goods or services: a. E-Rate Service of Internet in Texas b. Peering DB Interconnection Results	20	15.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
20																	
21	The extent to which the goods or services meet the District's needs: a. Ability to scale services as required by RFP b. Burstable service c. SLA d. Support e. Network Architecture	20	10.00	8.00	6.00	12.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	12.00	6.00	16.00	10.00	14.00	6.00
22																	
23	The vendor's past relationship with the District a. Evaluation of experience the vendor has with delivering products or services to CFISD	15	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.50	13.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
24																	
25	Long Term cost to District a. Lowest Proposed Long-Term Cost / Vendor's Proposal Long Term Cost* 5 (maximum points)	5	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.02	2.02	2.02	2.02	2.23	2.23	2.23
26																	
27	Any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids or proposals a. Is the Proposer a Tier One Provider?	10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
28																	
29	Total Points	100	56.67	49.67	47.67	63.17	78.97	80.47	80.47	80.47	47.40	39.40	33.40	49.90	38.58	37.58	29.58
30	Average Points		54.29				80.09				42.52				34.46		
31	Evaluators	R. Leung, E. Montes, A. Tran, O. Villar															
32	Evaluation Method	Score Card															
33	Date of Evaluation	3/12/2026 - 3/19/2026															

Individual Evaluator Scores - page 2

	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD
10	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4	Evaluator 1	Evaluator 2	Evaluator 3	Evaluator 4
11	Crown Castle Fiber LLC.	Events by Aba, LLC.	Events by Aba, LLC.	Events by Aba, LLC.	Events by Aba, LLC.	Pure Speed Lightwave	Pure Speed Lightwave	Pure Speed Lightwave	Pure Speed Lightwave	Zayo Group LLC.	Zayo Group LLC.	Zayo Group LLC.	Zayo Group LLC.
12	**143005274**	**NO SPIN**	**NO SPIN**	**NO SPIN**	**NO SPIN**	**143035542**	**143035542**	**143035542**	**143035542**	**143023855**	**143023855**	**143023855**	**143023855**
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14													
15	11.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.05	16.79	16.79	16.79	16.79
16													
17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33
18													
19	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00
20													
21	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.00	12.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	16.00
22													
23	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.50	10.50	7.50	15.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50
24													
25	2.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.29	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.33
26													
27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
28													
29	32.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.14	50.14	43.14	67.64	73.45	73.45	59.45	60.95
30		0.00				55.51				66.83			
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Eligible Price Points Evaluation

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	Astound Business Solutions							Cogent Communications LLC.					
Product	**3 Year Term**	**Optional Renewals**		**Subnet /29**	**DNS Hosting**	**Installation**	**Special Construction**	**3 Year Term**	**Optional Renewals**		**Subnet /29**	**DNS Hosting**	**Installation**
40 Gbps DIA		**Year 1**	**Year 2**						**Year 1**	**Year 2**			
Eligible Cost	$2,450.00	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Ineligible Cost													
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$2,450.00	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$27.00	$0.00			$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$29,400.00	$28,800.00	$28,800.00	$324.00	$0.00			$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	
60 Gbps DIA													
Eligible Cost	$2,700.00	$2,650.00	$2,650.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,000.00
Ineligible Cost													
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$2,700.00	$2,650.00	$2,650.00	$27.00	$0.00			$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$32,400.00	$31,800.00	$31,800.00	$324.00	$0.00			$72,000.00	$72,000.00	$72,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	
80 Gbps DIA													
Eligible Cost	$3,300.00	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,000.00
Ineligible Cost													
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$3,300.00	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$27.00	$0.00			$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$39,600.00	$39,000.00	$39,000.00	$324.00	$0.00			$84,000.00	$84,000.00	$84,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	

Company	3 Year Expenditure Cost	Price Calculation for Eligible Services
Astound Business Solutions	$96,172.00	25.00
Cogent Communications LLC.	$209,000.00	11.50
Comcast Business Communications, LLC.	$231,036.00	10.41
Crown Castle Fiber LLC.	$211,752.00	11.35
Events by Aba, LLC.	No Bid	0.00
PS Lightwave, LLC.	$199,524.00	12.05
Zayo Group, LLC.	$143,172.00	16.79

The three-year Expenditure shows 40, 60, and 60 Gbps for each vendor. Additionally, costs for Subnet /29, DNS Hosting, Installation, and Special Construction were included for three years. Optional contract years were not included, as they will be factored into long-term cost points. Price Points = Lowest Proposed Price / Vendor's Proposal Price × 25.

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	Comcast Business Communications, LLC.							Crown Castle Fiber LLC.							
Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term
		Year 1	Year 2		Year 1	Year 2			Year 1	Year 2					
$0.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$30.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,120.00	$4,991.00	$4,864.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid
													$0.00	$0.00	
	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$30.00				$5,120.00	$4,991.00	$4,864.00	$24.00	$0.00			No Bid
	$62,964.00	$62,964.00	$62,964.00	$360.00				$61,440.00	$59,892.00	$58,368.00	$288.00	$0.00			No Bid
$0.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$30.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$6,227.00	$6,133.00	$6,040.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid
								$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	
	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$30.00				$6,227.00	$6,133.00	$6,040.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00		No Bid
	$83,496.00	$83,496.00	$83,496.00	$360.00				$74,724.00	$73,596.00	$72,480.00	$288.00	$0.00	$0.00		No Bid
$0.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$30.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$7,738.00	$7,621.00	$7,506.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid
													$0.00	$0.00	
	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$30.00				$7,738.00	$7,621.00	$7,506.00	$24.00	$0.00			No Bid
	$100,620.00	$100,620.00	$100,620.00	$360.00				$92,856.00	$91,452.00	$90,072.00	$288.00	$0.00			No Bid

Eligible Price Points Evaluation - page 3

Events by Aba, LLC.						PS Lightwave, LLC.							Zayo Group, L			
Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29
Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2				Year 1	Year 2						Year 1	Year 2	
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$4,225.00	$4,014.00	$4,014.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,259.00	No Bid	No Bid	$0.00
											$0.00	$0.00	$0.00			
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$4,225.00	$4,014.00	$4,014.00	$0.00	$0.00			$3,259.00	$3,259.00	$3,259.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$50,700.00	$48,168.00	$48,168.00	$0.00	$0.00			$39,108.00	$39,108.00	$39,108.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$6,201.00	$5,891.00	$5,891.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$0.00
											$0.00	$0.00				
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$6,201.00	$5,891.00	$5,891.00	$0.00	$0.00			$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$74,412.00	$70,692.00	$70,692.00	$0.00	$0.00			$52,032.00	$52,032.00	$52,032.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$8,060.00	$7,657.00	$7,657.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$8,060.00	$7,657.00	$7,657.00	$0.00	$0.00			$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$0.00
No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$96,720.00	$91,884.00	$91,884.00	$0.00	$0.00			$60,120.00	$60,120.00	$60,120.00	$0.00

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DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	$0.00	$0.00
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$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	$0.00	$0.00
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School Name: Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

	Astound Business Solutions							Cogent Communications LLC.							Comcast Business Comr			
Product	**3 Year Term**	**Optional Renewals**		**Subnet /29**	**DNS Hosting**	**Installation**	**Special Construction**	**3 Year Term**	**Optional Renewals**		**Subnet /29**	**DNS Hosting**	**Installation**	**Special Construction**	**3 Year Term**	**Optional Renewals**		**Subnet /29**
40 Gbps DIA		**Year 1**	**Year 2**						**Year 1**	**Year 2**						**Year 1**	**Year 2**	
Eligible Cost	$2,450.00	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$30.00
Ineligible Cost																		
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$2,450.00	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$27.00	$0.00			$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$5,247.00	$30.00
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$29,400.00	$28,800.00	$28,800.00	$324.00	$0.00			$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$62,964.00	$62,964.00	$62,964.00	$360.00
60 Gbps DIA																		
Eligible Cost	$2,700.00	$2,650.00	$2,650.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$30.00
Ineligible Cost																		
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$2,700.00	$2,650.00	$2,650.00	$27.00	$0.00			$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$6,958.00	$30.00
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$32,400.00	$31,800.00	$31,800.00	$324.00	$0.00			$72,000.00	$72,000.00	$72,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$83,496.00	$83,496.00	$83,496.00	$360.00
80 Gbps DIA																		
Eligible Cost	$3,300.00	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$27.00	$0.00	$500.00	No Bid	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,000.00	$0.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$30.00
Ineligible Cost																		
Monthly Total for DIA and Transport	$3,300.00	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$27.00	$0.00			$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$7,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$8,385.00	$30.00
Annual Total for DIA and Transport	$39,600.00	$39,000.00	$39,000.00	$324.00	$0.00			$84,000.00	$84,000.00	$84,000.00	$0.00	$0.00			$100,620.00	$100,620.00	$100,620.00	$360.00

Company	3 Year Expenditure Cost	Two Year Optional Renewals	Estimated 5 Year Expenditure	Price Calculation for Eligible Services
Astound Business Solutions	$96,172.00	$79,148.00	$175,320.00	5.00
Cogent Communications LLC.	$209,000.00	$173,000.00	$382,000.00	2.29
Comcast Business Communications, LLC.	$231,036.00	$201,960.00	$432,996.00	2.02
Crown Castle Fiber LLC.	$211,752.00	$182,100.00	$393,852.00	2.23
Events by Aba, LLC.	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	0.00
PS Lightwave, LLC.	$199,524.00	$183,768.00	$383,292.00	2.29
Zayo Group, LLC.	$143,172.00	$120,240.00	$263,412.00	3.33

Long-term costs included the three-year expenditure and the two optional renewal years for the district. The three-year Expenditure shows 40, 60, and 60 Gbps for each vendor. The two-year optional renewals cost shows a bandwidth of 80 (year 1) and 80 (year 2) Gbps. Cost Points were calculated on 40, 60, 60, 80, and 80 Gbps of service. Additionally, subnet/29, DNS hosting, installation, and any special construction costs were included for the three-year expenditure and the two optional renewal years. Price Points = Lowest Proposed Price / Vendor's Proposal Price × 5.

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munications, LLC.			Crown Castle Fiber LLC.							Events by Aba, LLC.										PS Lightwave, L
DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29
Year 1	Year 2			Year 1	Year 2						Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2				Year 1	Year 2	
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,120.00	$4,991.00	$4,864.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$4,225.00	$4,014.00	$4,014.00	$0.00
								$0.00	$0.00											
			$5,120.00	$4,991.00	$4,864.00	$24.00	$0.00			No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$4,225.00	$4,014.00	$4,014.00	$0.00
			$61,440.00	$59,892.00	$58,368.00	$288.00	$0.00			No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$50,700.00	$48,168.00	$48,168.00	$0.00
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$6,227.00	$6,133.00	$6,040.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$6,201.00	$5,891.00	$5,891.00	$0.00
			$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00											
			$6,227.00	$6,133.00	$6,040.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00		No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$6,201.00	$5,891.00	$5,891.00	$0.00
			$74,724.00	$73,596.00	$72,480.00	$288.00	$0.00	$0.00		No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$74,412.00	$70,692.00	$70,692.00	$0.00
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$7,738.00	$7,621.00	$7,506.00	$24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$8,060.00	$7,657.00	$7,657.00	$0.00
								$0.00	$0.00											
			$7,738.00	$7,621.00	$7,506.00	$24.00	$0.00			No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$8,060.00	$7,657.00	$7,657.00	$0.00
			$92,856.00	$91,452.00	$90,072.00	$288.00	$0.00			No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	No Bid	$96,720.00	$91,884.00	$91,884.00	$0.00

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.LC.			Zayo Group, LLC.						
DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction	3 Year Term	Optional Renewals		Subnet /29	DNS Hosting	Installation	Special Construction
				Year 1	Year 2				
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,259.00	No Bid	No Bid	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00					$0.00	$0.00
$0.00			$3,259.00	$3,259.00	$3,259.00	$0.00	$0.00		
$0.00			$39,108.00	$39,108.00	$39,108.00	$0.00	$0.00		
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	$0.00	$0.00						$0.00	$0.00
$0.00			$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$4,336.00	$0.00	$0.00		
$0.00			$52,032.00	$52,032.00	$52,032.00	$0.00	$0.00		
$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
$0.00			$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$5,010.00	$0.00	$0.00		
$0.00			$60,120.00	$60,120.00	$60,120.00	$0.00	$0.00		

References Evaluation

RFP Close Date: March 11, 2026 at 2:00 PM
Service Description: #26-07-7168R-RFP (E-Rate - Internet and Related Services for DataBank HOU2 Project)
Funding Year Base Contract: 2026-2028
Funding Year Optional Renewals: 2029-2030
School Name: Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

Reference Points								
Factor(s)	**Points**							
		Astound Business Solutions	**Cogent Communications LLC.**	**Comcast Business Communications LLC.**	**Crown Castle Fiber LLC.**	**Events by Aba, LLC.**	**Pure Speed Lightwave**	**Zayo Group LLC.**
Vendor Reference 1 Raw Score	100	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Vendor Reference 2 Raw Score	100	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	98.00	0.00
Vendor Reference 3 Raw Score	100	100.00	0.00	98.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Average Score	100	33.33	33.33	99.33	0.00	0.00	66.00	66.67
Reference Points	5	1.67	1.67	4.97	0.00	0.00	3.30	3.33

The department used a standard reference survey. Each reference survey was worth 100 points. As part of their RFP submissions, vendors were required to provide at least 3 references. The department sent reference requests. The 3 reference scores were averaged (Average Score). If no reference was returned, the score was 0. The formula used was Reference Points = Average Score / 100 (max. Average Score) * 5 (maximum reference points).

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Memorandum

To: Charles Franklin, Assistant Superintendent, Technology Service and Information Systems

From: Kim Bowlin, Assistant Director, Technology Support Services

Subject: E-Rate - Internet and Related Services for Data Bank HOU2 Project #26-07-7168R-RFP

I am writing to present a recommendation for selecting an Internet Service Provider (ISP) for our school district. As we continue integrating technology into our educational framework, the importance of a reliable and high-speed internet connection cannot be overstated.

After careful consideration and thorough evaluation, I propose that we consider Cogent Communications, LLC, as the Internet Service Provider for our school district at the DataBank HOU2 location. Their services align perfectly with our needs and will contribute significantly to the seamless functioning of our educational programs.

Here are key factors supporting the recommendation:

1. Scalability: As our district grows and embraces innovative technologies, scalability is paramount. Cogent Communications, LLC. provides scalable solutions that can quickly adapt to the increasing demands of our expanding network infrastructure.
2. Burstable Service: The vendor provides burstable service to the entire physical connection. This is specifically tailored to the district's needs, ensuring that we have access to the bandwidth and features required for an effective online learning environment. While the district does not anticipate using this as a daily requirement, it is a needed feature at set times of the year.
3. Price of Eligible Goods and Services: Although Cogent Communications, LLC. did not have the lowest overall price, the committee felt that their price was competitive and offered the best value to the district. They had the highest score overall from the evaluation.
4. Speed and Reliability: The vendor has a proven track record of providing high-speed and reliable internet services. Their commitment to uptime and consistent performance is crucial for our teachers and students who rely on a stable internet connection for

educational resources and online learning tools.

We should consider Cogent Communications, LLC. as the Internet Service Provider for our district. Their commitment to excellence, understanding of educational needs, and proven track record make them a fitting choice for our requirements.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am available to provide any additional information or answer questions if needed.

Sincerely,

Kim Bowlin

Kim Bowlin
Assistant Director, Technology Support Services
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD