RFI#EPSD.SECURITY.2019.0001 Q/A Document

Note: The due date for FRI responses to be electronically delivered has been extended to Tuesday February 26th.

1. **Are there two-way speakers in all classrooms today?**
   a. Yes, classrooms throughout the district have intercoms currently. 3 buildings are using Bogen Quantum intercom systems, the remaining district locations are using legacy intercom systems.
2. **Are there telephones in the classrooms?**
   a. No, most classrooms do not have phones
   b. CTC building has classroom phones
3. **If so, do they connect to a head-end (front office)?**
   a. The few classrooms that have phones are part of the district IP phone system
4. **If not, are there plans in the future to add phones into the classroom as part of the individual school's phone system.**
   a. There is a desire in the district to have an integrated phone/intercom system to allow both announcement and private (handset) communication in classrooms
5. **What are the phone systems in the individual schools?**
   a. All phones in the district are Cox IP Centrex hosted IP-PBX
6. **Is the intent to connect to the individual school phone systems?**
   a. There is a desire in the district to have an integrated phone/intercom system to allow both announcement and private (handset) communication in classrooms
7. **Does the district use call buttons in classrooms?**
   a. Yes
8. **How old is the cable infrastructure?**
   a. Bogen Quantum schools were installed 4-5 years ago. Other schools systems are over 10 years in age.
9. **Have there been architectural modifications (additions, new wings, etc) within the past 5 years/10 years? If so, which locations?**
   a.
10. **Is the intent to communicate not only on a per school-basis but a district-wide basis? In other words, if the Superintendent needed to make an announcement district-wide, would it be of interest OR by accessing a set of prompts that will either play a pre-recorded message or an alert tone cadence?**
    a. Yes, district wide or phone system integration will be a requirement
11. **Are there cameras that provide authorities to view a situation?**
    a. Yes, the district uses IP cameras/NVR systems and the East Providence police have access to these systems
12. **If so, does it have the capability to tie into the intended solution for two-way communications. For example, a situation is alerted to authorities on classroom 101 at Martin Middle School. Can the authorities access the camera in the room or adjacent hallway? There are camera systems used in schools today that allow access to connect direct to the page system and open a two-way communications channel between the authorities viewing via the camera and the area of the situation.**

a. Please provide information in your RFI package. This has not been identified as a requirement at this time but this is the purpose of an RFI to identify features/requirements that will go in to the RFP

13. **Do any schools have clocks that no longer work or do not keep the correct time?**
    a. All clock systems are connected to time sync. This will likely be a requirement for Intercom solution RFP

14. **Does the current clock systems provide the tones between classes or is there another device providing that?**
    a. Yes

15. **Are the clocks hard-wired or battery operated?**
    a. Hard Wired

16. **Are there separate amplified systems for gymnasiums, auditoriums, grounds/fields?**
    a. Yes

17. **If so, is the intent to connect the solution to these systems as well?**
    a. This has not been determined at this time

18. **Are there emergency call boxes in areas such as game fields, parking lots, non-main entries?**
    a. There are NO emergency call boxes

19. **Are announcements made from one central point at each location now or are there multiple locations at each school that allows access to make announcements?**
    a. Announcements are made from the main offices. Bogen systems are connected to the phone system allowing dial in from IP phones

20. · **During testing periods, can the school turn off bells/alerts?**
    a. Yes