

RFP#EPSD.SAFETY.2019.0002 - Addendum 2 - Q/A

Questions noted from Mandatory Walkthrough with vendors at Riverside Middle School on 5/24/2019

1. Schools in scope included n scope?

- a. 2.1.1. Riverside Middle School – 179 Forbes St (Riverside)
- b. 2.1.2. Oldham Elementary – 60 Bart Drive
- c. 2.1.3. Silver Spring Elementary – 120 Silver Spring Street
- d. 2.1.4. Myron J. Francis School - 64 Bourne Avenue
- e. 2.1.5. Agnes B. Hennessey School - 75 Fort Street
- f. 2.1.6. Kent Heights - 2680 Pawtucket Avenue
- g. 2.1.7. Whiteknact Elementary - 261 Grosvenor Avenue
- h. 2.1.8. Orlo Avenue School - 25 Orlo Avenue
- i. 2.2.1. Waddington Elementary – 101 Legion Way (Riverside)
- j. 2.2.2. Edward R Martin Middle School - 111 Brown Street

2. Mark classroom locations

- a. District to provide a count of educational spaces/building
 - i. Will be distributed with updated maps

3. How to integrate with Cox IP-Centrex?

- a. Vendor to provide supported method to 'tie into' IP Centrex. Example would be analog dial-in functionality.
 - i. Vendors concerned about reliability of this solution
 - ii. If other options for direct communication/SIP trunk or gateway, please suggest with response
- b. District to facilitate configuration components from Cox

4. Can we use the existing in-building fiber between closets?

- a. Yes
- b. Specification for Meraki MS-350 series switched will allow for stacking into existing closet switches

5. Can existing equipment/cabling be repurposed?

- a. Yes, for bids of a hybrid IP/analog system components may be reused
- b. All repurposed equipment must be tested and working
- c. Repurposed cabling may only be used if it meets code requirements
 - i. Example: cable not properly tethered above drop ceiling must be replaced
- d. IMPORTANT: Vendor is responsible to allocate estimated costs for replacements of equipment/cabling not working properly.

- i. Solution is to be a firm fixed price to include replacements on an as-need basis

6. Are data closets marked?

- a. Will be distributed with updated maps. Maps will be made available via a restricted Google Drive folder and access must be requested.

7. Is this a 2019 project?

- a. Yes
- b. District plans to propose vendor at June school committee meeting
- c. Project will be started in summer of 2019
- d. Ideally, Riverside Middle School will be completed for start of school year barring equipment delivery delays

8. Is this after hours project?

- a. Yes, during the school days, work must be performed after hours. Buildings are staffed by custodians on weekdays less major holidays
- b. Vacations/summer may be daytime hours

9. Cable abatement must be included with bid?

- a. It is required by code that replaced cabling be abated

10. Is the vendor responsible for removing legacy equipment including covering/filling holes and painting?

- a. Yes

11. Request a count for education spaces

- a. Will be distributed with updated maps. Maps will be made available via a restricted Google Drive folder and access must be requested.

12. Does the ability to communicate to the private phone handsets in educational spaces need to come from IP Centrex phone?

- a. Yes, it needs to be able to originate from an IP phone or District cell phone (Director of Security or Superintendent for example)

13. Are you accepting partial bids?

- a. No, primary vendor may subcontract portions of the project but (per the RFP) subcontractors must be listed and all licensing, insurance and reference information must be provided for subcontractors.

14. Will the vendors present be publically shared?

- a. Yes, included with this addendum

15. Is integration to local sound systems (cafeterias/Auditoriums) included? IE system override?

- a. No, the district does not currently have integrated PA systems in those areas

16. Will the Cox IP-Centrex be phased out?

- a. Not for a minimum of 4 years

17. Are digital clocks required

- a. No, they are an optional item on the RFP

18. What are we doing for Hallway intercoms

- a. They will be required and must be noted on the vendor provided design documentation

19. What about exterior speakers?

- a. Yes, exterior speakers are required

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- b. Will be distributed with updated maps. Maps will be made available via a restricted Google Drive folder and access must be requested.

20. Will the district provide Zone requirements?

- a. No, vendor is responsible to recommend educational zoning best-practice recommendations.
- b. Specification of zones must be depicted on vendor-provided design diagrams
- c. Evaluation of vendor recommendations will be incorporated in the solution review

21. Battery backup

- a. District already has UPS battery backup in all data facilities for switch infrastructure with room to grow/support additional switches required
- b. Vendor to provide battery backup for headend units/server components to meet sustainability best-practices for power outages.

22. Is there asbestos above the ceiling?

- a. District will provide Asbestos reports

23. Questions about Abatement of cable

- a. Is vendor responsible for cable abatement?
 - i. Yes, to meet local code requirements, upgraded/abandoned cabling must be removed by the vendor.

24. Does legacy system need to be operational unit new system is operational

- a. When the schools are in session, yes the existing system must be operational until new system is usable. Brief outages can be scheduled with the district.
- b. When schools are out of session, intercom service may be offline for extended periods of time
- c. With prior discussion and approval of the district, some areas may have extended outages while school is in session if the district can provide radios to the areas impacted

25. Willing to break up to multiple vendors?

- a. No, primary vendor may subcontract portions of the project but (per the RFP) subcontractors must be listed and all licensing, insurance and reference information must be provided for subcontractors in the bid response.

26. Does vendor need to have staff background checked

- a. Yes, all onsite staff must have state BCI
- b. Vendor is responsible for all costs

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