

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT # 19

**REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)
SWITCH EQUIPMENT
June 2023**

SUBMISSION/CONTACT ADDRESS:

Information Technology Department

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Quotes will be accepted in electronic format only.

Please include "RFQ" in subject line.

Summary:

Regional School District # 19 is seeking network switches for its data center.

Core Specifications:

The District is seeking network switches with 10Gb port capabilities as a top of rack solution for the SAN and virtualization network.

Specifically:

The quote **must** include **all** of the following **required** items:

1. Switch equipment

- The following manufacturers and models are highly preferred:
 - Dell PowerSwitch S4128T-ON
- Chassis: 1U Rack chassis
- Networking:
 - Minimum 28 ports of 10GbE
 - Minimum 2 ports of QSFP28
 - QSFP28 cabling for stacking/bonding the switches at the fastest rate possible.
- Power: Redundant hot-swappable 120-240VAC power supplies (208VAC operating voltage). IEC to IEC power cords.
- Mounting: to be mounted in an existing 4-post rack.
- Post Warranty: 3 years (from acquisition), 9hrs x 5 weekdays, On-Site, Next Business Day, Hardware

- Certifications and Compliance
 - Conformant with NDAA FY19 Section 889 Act.
- Special Notices:
 - While the above model is highly preferred, a vendor can optionally quote a different brand and/or model as an alternative and it will be considered.
 - If available, provide “end of support” date for the last date for which support subscriptions can be renewed for the switch hardware from the manufacturer.

Quantity:

The District is interested in purchasing 2 identical switch units. However, please provide unit pricing.

Shipping and Delivery:

The equipment requested above will be delivered to 1235 Storrs Road, Storrs-Mansfield, CT 06268. A standard-height loading dock is available at this address.

Proposal Submission Requirements

1. The quote must be valid for at least 30 days. The quote should specify the length of time until the quote expires.
2. If there are any additional costs for shipping or otherwise, it should be listed on the quote as a shipping and/or handling charge.
3. The vendor must explain if the quoted items are either (1) currently in-stock and/or (2) currently back-ordered with a rough estimate of an anticipated timeline until in-stock (in both cases, this answer is as of the initial date of the quote).
4. After the quote expires, we may choose to reach out to the vendor with a desire to order additional quantities of the product, however we accept that the pricing might by necessity change if the vendor can no longer meet that price (or models) after the initial quote expires.
5. Quotes will be accepted in electronic format only to the email address and name on this RFQ document (see the beginning of this document). Vendors may use a format of their own choosing for the quote. Questions about the process should be directed to the same email address as well.
6. The vendor is responsible for submitting a quote for consideration in a timely manner with a desired deadline of Friday, June 23, 2023 at 11:00am.

Selection Process:

Pricing is a key factor in the selection process, however it is not the only factor as the Department will consider the vendor's ability to fulfill this product request. We reserve the right to reject any or all submissions, to select an applicant in a manner that is advantageous to the school, and to waive all formalities in the bidding. The vendor is responsible for submitting a quote for consideration in a timely manner. If a sufficient number of proposals are not received by the deadline, we reserve the right to extend the deadline. Additionally, we reserve the right to extend the deadline to request additional information from vendors.

We do not expressly state or imply any obligation to reimburse responding applicants for any expenses incurred in preparing submissions in response to this request. The selected firm is expected to meet any relevant state and federal legal requirements. We are an equal opportunity employer.