

LPSD Internet Services RFP

Issue Date: January 19, 2026

Proposal Deadline: February 18, 2026, 11:00 PM (AKST)

The Lake and Peninsula School District invites proposals for E-rate-eligible internet broadband services at 13 locations, with an initial 1-year term beginning July 1, 2026 alternate contract periods of 3 and 5 years may be considered. Proposals should include options for voluntary annual extensions by mutual agreement. Proposals must support scalable service levels due to funding uncertainties.

District Locations

Chignik Lagoon, Chignik Lake, Igiugig School, Igiugig Tribal Library, Kokhanok, Newhalen, Nondalton, Port Alsworth, Perryville, Port Heiden, Levelock, King Salmon, Alaska.

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated on the following weighted criteria (total 100 points). Price of E-rate-eligible services is the primary factor. The District may award to multiple providers and select service levels per site. Non-compliant proposals may be disqualified.

- Price per Bandwidth (Cost-Effectiveness of E-rate-Eligible Services) — 50 points
- Experience Serving Rural Alaska — 30 points
- Compliance with RFP Requirements — 20 points

Service Requirements

Proposals must meet these minimums; failure may result in disqualification:

- Minimum 100 Mbps download speed per site (scalable/higher speeds preferred).
- Average round-trip latency of no more than 100 milliseconds (ms) per site.
- Minimum 99% monthly uptime. Proposals are encouraged to include resilient solutions that can tolerate partial hardware and power failures.
- Minimum 3 TB full-speed data per site per month. Clearly state any throttling policies and post-cap speeds.

Proposal Submission Requirements

Proposals must include:

1. Company name, address, phone, email, and primary contact.
2. SLD provider number, proof of current Form 473 on file with USAC, and confirmation of no red-light status.
3. Detailed description of proposed services, including scope, limitations, data/throttling policies, and resilience features.
4. Separate costs by site: one-time installation/NRC, monthly/annual recurring costs, and any variable costs (with basis and estimates).

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5. Clear separation of E-rate-eligible and ineligible costs.
6. Certification agreeing to all mandatory terms in this RFP.
7. Optional contract extensions clearly stated.

Additional Proposal Information

- Include all hardware, software, and infrastructure costs for a complete solution (e.g., modems, antennas, static IPs).
- Optionally propose content filtering costs separately (ineligible for E-rate).

Submission Details

- Submit proposals by February 18, 2026, 11:00 PM (AKST) to Sam Rigby at srigby@lpsd.com.
- Late submissions will not be accepted.
- The District anticipates making firm commitments for services, as early as March 6, 2026.

Questions

Submit written questions by February 12, 2026, 5:00 PM (AKST) to Sam Rigby at srigby@lpsd.com. Responses will be posted on the District's E-rate page (<https://lpsd.com/e-rate.html>). No phone/text inquiries.

Terms & Conditions

- Pricing will be public unless restricted by law or regulation.
- Providers must comply with the Lowest Corresponding Price (LCP) rule.
- A signed contract incorporating all RFP terms must be executed no later than two weeks before the FCC Form 471 deadline.
- Service levels and pricing may be adjusted based on funding availability. In the event of reduced funding or site closure, the District may change service levels to proposed options or terminate service with 30 days' notice.
- The District will provide space and power for equipment.
- Successful bidders must offer discounted billing and invoice USAC via SPI.
- Providers must certify compliance with the Anti-Deficiency Act, red-light status, and all RFP terms.