

Ventura County Community College District

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

DATE: May 23, 2019

TO: All Vendors

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SUBJECT: Addendum 2 – RFP 578 Emergency Notification Solutions for Ventura County Community

College District

This addendum is hereby made part of the Contract Documents to the same extent as though it was originally included therein and takes precedence over the original documents. The outdated pages must be replaced with any updated and/or changed pages when submitting your RFP submission.

The following changes have been made to the RFP documents:

See attached drawing for locations of OE and LS IDF Rooms

Question and Answers:

QUESTION:

What is the District's timeline on migrating to Microsoft Teams? Will it be complete by the time this project is initiated?

ANSWFR:

This project and timeline is under discussion. It will not be complete by the time the project is initiated.

QUESTION:

When it comes to providing emergency alerts to students via their mobile device;

- Is the district only looking to notify the student of a situation, or
- Will they want to allow the student a means of initiating an alert through their mobile device?

ANSWER:

The primary goal is to notify students in the event of an emergency. The District does not necessarily want them to initiate an alert without vetting through emergency services.

QUESTION:

Will the District want staff to have the ability to initiate an alert through a mobile device?

ANSWER:

Yes

QUESTION:

Should the contractors assume the cabling needs to have a plenum rating, if not, what percent should be plenum rated versus riser rated?

ANSWER:

The Districts wants to adhere to all building codes. It is a true mix on our campuses depending on ducting and conduit. Plenum cable should be installed in any "air handling" space.

QUESTION:

Are the Teaching Zoo and Marine Education Center also part of the new EMNS implementation?

ANSWER:

Yes

QUESTION:

What percentage of classrooms has drop ceilings?

ANSWER:

Approximately 90%. Number to be verified by awarded vendor.

QUESTION:

Please show the locations of the IDF rooms for Oxnard College LS and OE Buildings?

ANSWER:

See attached.

OUESTION:

There still seems to be a lot of confusion by the vendors we've spoken with about exactly what is being asked for. The only actual requirements in the RFP doc ask for a cloud based Emergency Notification System. Any thought to vetting the 3-4 things you are asking for into their own separate review process?

ANSWER:

Not at this time.

QUESTION:

Is there a chance that the pieces we respond to could still be selected even if the other partners we respond with are not?

ANSWER:

The District is looking for the most comprehensive proposal/solution. The District will not be selecting partners not included in proposal.

QUESTION:

Does the Skype system have media gateways such as Audio Codes for integration?

ANSWER:

Yes

QUESTION:

Does VCCCD data networking support multi-cast routing?

ANSWER:

The District does not currently have multi-cast routing configured but our networking environment does support it.

QUESTION:

Exhibit C – Mandatory Requirements – Table 1, Item 21; "End point and application solution accessibility compliance. (508)" What is this asking?

ANSWER:

As a publically funded institution the District needs to make sure we implement software and systems that are accessible to those with disabilities. https://www.section508.gov/ https://www.ada.gov/2010_regs.htm.

QUESTION:

When the District roles out Microsoft Teams, will they be issuing Teams access to the students through their O365 accounts?

ANSWER:

No this is specific to faculty and staff at this time. Students use Google Apps for Education.

QUESTION:

Does the District intend on continuing their use of Blackboard Connect for student notifications?

ANSWER:

The District would like to standardize on one solution.

QUESTION:

Is your Lync PBX on premise?

- What version and cumulative update do you have installed?
- Does the District currently have a Lync Mediation Server included in their Lync server cluster?

ANSWER:

Yes.

- a. Lync Server 2013 CU July 2017. Lync Core Components version 5.0.8308.992.
- b. The District has a collocated mediation server. The pool has 7 trunks and gateways.

QUESTION:

For all 750 Phones described in Addendum 1, is there an associated desktop for each phone?

ANSWFR:

The District estimates 85% are USB connected devices.

QUESTION:

For hosted services, what duration of licenses does the District require?

Options are available for 1, 3, or 5 years.

ANSWER:

Typically 1 – 3 years.

QUESTION:

VectorUSA is assuming that J-Hooks are an acceptable means of cable support throughout all the campuses. Is this correct?

ANSWER:

As long as the number of cables are within the J Hook cable fill capacity and a cable tray or raceway wouldn't be a better solution.

QUESTION:

What is VCCCD currently using for E911?

ANSWER:

The District previously used to use 911 Etc., but no longer have one. Currently when someone dials 911, emergency dispatches to the campus and not the specific building/floor. The District prefers a new solution.

QUESTION:

How many students do you currently have that have actually opted in to your existing platforms, ie. Black Board Connect, RAVE, etc.?

ANSWER:

All students are added to Blackboard Connect. Students do not use the RAVE mobile APP at Ventura College. Only certain populations of students have been added to regroup for specific non-emergency messaging purposes.

End of Addendum

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