

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) NO: PRDE-OSIATD-FY2018-002
MOBILE DEVICES, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

PUERTO RICO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - RESPONSES TO VENDOR QUESTIONS SUBMITTED AT PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE On 9/7/18

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COMPANY	DATE	SECTION	PG	QUESTIONS	PRDE RESPONSE
APPLE	09/07/18			Will applications be pre-loaded.	Yes, that is the Department's expectation.
VERNET	09/07/18			Is any part of this RFP for software used in teaching topics such as reading, math, science and Spanish to students?	The RFP is not requesting teaching software in the RFP, but if proposers want to recommend certain software for delivering professional development services, they can include in their proposals and submit on a separate pricing sheet as an optional/recommended item.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			If the purpose of the RFP is to include more proponents, but the RFP provides extra % to the weight for a contractor already with the PRDE and then additional weight for delivery of all categories, it could tilt unfairly the scale for an in house PRDE contractor by an additional 35%.	The RFP does not provide for extra weight to PRDE's contractors nor will PRDE give extra % weight to its current contractors just because they are the PRDE's contractors.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			If purpose is for other contractors to be involved, why not extend the time to allow a more comprehensive sharing process.	Under the RFP, vendors have 6 weeks to collaborate and partner with other vendors on their proposals. PRDE considers the time allotted as adequate.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Who is the contact person or entity that is under the Regulatory Office under Section 17 of the Rules and Regulations 7040 of the PRDE?	It is unclear as to what the meaning of the question is. As drafted, this question cannot be answered.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			How was [7040] incorporated in the RFP?	It wasn't incorporated into the RFP, because as noted, the RFP processes are not subject to Regulation 7040.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			On Page 58 of the RFP, it states that revisions on losing proposals should go to the Appellate Court, but Regulation 7040 provides revisions under Junta de Revisora. Is the PRDE revising or modifying its own rules and regulations.	No, as previously stated, the RFP is not subject to Regulation 7040.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Who will be appointing the Selection Committee? Will the selection process of the Committee be posted?	The Secretary of the Department of Education will appoint members of an Evaluation Committee (not "Selection Committee"). The process of the evaluation will not be posted, but notices of award will be sent to the selected vendors. The letters will include information on the reasons the winning vendors were selected, as well as the reasons why other participating vendors were not selected. Copies of the award notices will be sent to all vendors that submitted proposals for the services covered in each of the notices.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Can you provide the information used under the Office that regulates/acquisition of non-Personal Services?	It is unclear as to what the meaning of the question is. As drafted, this question cannot be answered.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Why did the PRDE not involve IT services in preparing the RFP?	This assumption is incorrect. The PRDE's technical team participated in the drafting of the specifications of the RFP.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Why is no person of the Junta de Subastas present at this meeting?	The RFP process is not subject to Regulation 7040.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			How will the RFP evaluate estimated costs by proposer regarding matters that have no PRDE procedures already in place? (Regulations)	It is unclear as to what is the meaning of the question is. This question cannot be answered as drafted.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			RFP Page 58 – PRDE Rules and Regulations on Acquisitions (7040) has the power to regulate the RFP Process. How did Connected comply with Section 6.6 that requests that Connected has complied with state, Federal, municipal laws?	The basic premises of the questions are incorrect. Therefore, we cannot provide an answer.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18	6.1.3.4	20	What is meant by "ability to transfer warranty"? [Ability to transfer warranty from a non-functional/lost/stolen device to a new device purchased without warranty]	This requirement is being removed from the specifications. All devices under this RFP will be purchased with warranties.

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WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18	6.2	21	Section 6.2 Are we going to be given the curriculum for review and give advice for the possible integration into the program?	Yes, selected proposer(s) will work with educator curriculum on integrating the mobile devices into the curriculum.
EDUATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	09/07/18			Does the supplier have to provide educational software for the core subjects (English, Spanish, etc.)?	No, proposers do not have to provide educational content software.
EDUATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	09/07/18			Does any of the parts (7) or categories is for educational software? If not, does the DOE foresee including educational software in the future?	Educational software is not a part of the RFP. No information is available at this time about future RFPs.
RSM PUERTO RICO	09/07/18	6.3.2.1(d) (Asset & Inventory Mgmt)	24	Describe the level of integration expected with the SIFDE and SIE systems?	Data from the proposed asset management tool should be migrated to the Department's SIFDE System and the numbering and codes used by the Department need to be integrated to the system proposed. In terms of SIE, information about which student the device is given to, their student ID number, school data etc. needs to be uploaded to the student information system.
RSM PUERTO RICO	09/07/18	6.3.2.1(g) (Asset & Inventory Mgmt)	24	Customizable to meet all PRDE requirements -- Are you going to provide of at least those minimum requirements?	Customizations will be identified by the Department and selected vendors based on the system(s) chosen. At this time, proposers are only expected to confirm whether their proposed systems can be customized to meet customary requirements for a large mobile device deployment by a large school system, and to identify any known customization limitations of the systems proposed by the vendors.
RSM PUERTO RICO	09/07/18	6.3.3 (Call Center/Help Desk)	25	Specify what "sufficient telephone lines" means.	No specific quantity is required. Proposers are expected to have enough telephone lines and staff to respond to Department calls to the Call Center/Help Desk.
SM INC	09/07/18			Does PD have to be tied to the actual rates approved by the DE? Title II - DOE has established professional development rates. Do these rates impact the RFP proposal prices, and if so please publish those rates and describe how the rates are applicable to mobile devices RFP.	A response is not available at this time; additional information will be posted if it becomes available.
GLOBAL EDUCTION EXCHANGE	09/07/18			Are cloud computing devices allowed to be proposed as a device in this Category 1, like a micro-cloud that allows access to store online tools in the absence of Internet or intermittent access (when access comes back on, the online app is updated (i.e. Klaus Academy etc.). This is to maximum access to on-line sources.	Not as a stand alone service under the RFP, but can be proposed as value add or optional service
UNITED DATA	09/08/18			Based on the Pre-Bid Conference are our assumptions correct? (assuming 30 devices per Cart)	Yes, the minimum quantities of equipment and carts the Department expects to purchase are as follows: K-2nd grade: 18,000 devices and 600 carts Elementary grades 3-5 and High School grades 9-12: 42,000 devices and 1,400 carts Middle School grades 6-8: 43,200 deices and 1,440 carts Educators: 30,000 devices (1 per teacher) School Labs (30 devices plus 1 cart per school): 26,130 devices and 871 carts TOTAL DEVICES: 159,330; TOTAL CARTS 4,311
UNIDENTIFIED	09/07/18			Carts - additional clarification needed.	See immediately preceding response.
UNIDENTIFIED	09/07/18			DOE Tagging System - please describe the process in detail so proposers can take into consideration for timeline determinations and pricing.	A response is not available at this time; additional information will be posted if it becomes available.

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UNIDENTIFIED	09/07/18			Evaluation Criteria Subparts - please publish.	A response is not available at this time; additional information will be posted if it becomes available.
UNIDENTIFIED	09/07/18			Clarification on curriculum integration requirements and who's responsible for what	A response is not available at this time; additional information will be posted if it becomes available.
WF COMPUTERS	09/07/18			Can you provide a copy of the written opinion of legal regarding purchasing and 7040.	No.
CARRIBEAN DATA	09/04/18			9. Regarding Page 32, section 6. PERFORMANCE BOND, since there are going to be various companies providing different goods and services, and being the equipment the biggest part, can the Manufacturer of the equipment submit a performance bond to cover their part on behalf of the primary contractor? Can we submit multiple performance bonds, one from the primary contractor and another from subcontractors?	Yes, proposers may submit additional performance bonds for work to be performed by subcontractors.