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Request for Information

Educational Opportunities and Technology Certification Programs

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Project Description

The State Department of Education is investigating options for technical certification programs appropriate for all public schools K-12.

Vendor to provide the educational opportunities and technology certificates services and support by providing information regarding but not limited to the following:

a) A program that offers a wide variety of information technology education opportunities and certifications to public school students enrolled in grades K-12, to:
- Enhance their academic engagement
- Prepare them for college, career and workplace
- Expand knowledge of technology industry jobs

b) A program that includes at least three of the following components:
(1) Certification of skills and competencies
(2) Professional development for teachers
(3) Integration with curriculum standards
(4) Online access to research-based content and curriculum
(5) Instructional software for classroom use

c) Technology Education opportunities, including classroom, online and other asynchronous curriculum for public school students, that will result in students achieving broad-based information technology education and certifications and/or college credit.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES:
Vendor will provide information regarding the products and services that meet the criteria below:

a) Provide instructional software for student and staff use in whatever setting the product is being offered, such as at school or home;

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b) Provide ongoing professional development in order to certify or otherwise qualify technology educators, to be conducted at a minimum of 6 regional locations in the State of Idaho, dates and locations to be determined by SDE;

c) Provide continuing implementation of professional development at multiple levels, to support and enhance the access of students to technology education and certifications;

d) Provide deployment and program support, including but not limited to, integration of technology products and services with current curriculum standards for Idaho K-12 public schools;

e) Provide integration of programs and course offerings into existing technical programs within the schools, such as Professional Technical and Career Readiness programs;

f) Provide for the ability of students to re-take courses not successfully passed, and any additional support such students may need towards reaching goals of achieving certification

<u>**HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:**</u>
Contractor to provide any hardware and/or software requirements that school districts must have available, specifically:

a) Computer system capacity requirements, including but not limited to RAM, bandwidth, interface and connectivity requirements;
b) Support/assistance for schools that lack equipment requirements;
c) Any limitations, such as tablets or other required devices;
d) Operating system requirements;
e) Software requirements.

<u>**Please submit a response no later than October 14, 2022 5:00 p.m. MST.**</u>

Please send responses to:

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