



## South Washington County Schools

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### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board  
Keith Jacobus, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Robert Berkowitz, Director of Technology

DATE: March 1, 2019

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Approval of Data Switch RFP bids selection.

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: Board Policy 719 – Authorization to solicit bids

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Approval

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: March 7, 2019

### REPORT

For the 2019-2020 school year, 1 RFP was issued pertaining to district technology infrastructure. All of the items in this RFP are components to the 10-year plan from the successful November 2013 District Technology Infrastructure Referendum.

#### 1. Datacenter Network Data Switches including the following

- District core network switching equipment
- Park Highschool building core and closet switch
- Nuevas Fronteras building core and closet switch

The RFP process was conducted in accordance with E-RATE (E-RATE 2.0) taking effect July 1, 2015. The FCC Goal for E-RATE 2.0 for school districts is to ensure affordable access to high-speed broadband sufficient to support digital learning in schools. E-RATE 2.0 reimbursements are targeted for network connection upgrades within each school which aligned with our current Infrastructure Plan.

A total of 1 sealed bid was submitted for the “Data Switches, Implementation, and Support Services” request for proposal. This project will be funded from the approved \$1.5m annual 2013 Technology Infrastructure levy.

The bid submitted by CIT Inc. matched all hardware and service requirements outlines within the RFP. The recommendation is to award the “Data Switches, Implementation, and Support Services” contract for a final design cost of \$352,176.00 to C.I.T, Woodbury, MN.

