E-Rate Category 2 FY2020-2021 RFP Questions – 2/18/2020

- 1. With expected WAN connections of 10 Gbps and what the data suggests are uncongested even at 1 Gbps, there is no performance benefit from having a local cache at each building and a core cache can deliver the same performance at a much lower cost both in dollars and time, setup and management. Would the district consider a single core unit as an option in addition to pricing for single units per site?
 - a. No. Each school has its own unique code for DRC that needs its own server.
- 2. DRC and Pearson testing do not have exclusive platforms in terms of caching. Is there additional criteria that has led you to request HP as the preferred manufacturer?
 - a. From past experience and due to the majority of our datacenter running off of HP, we prefer to use HP servers. However, all bids would be considered.
- 3. Will the servers need to perform any other functions throughout the year besides state testing caching?
 - a. There are no plans to use these beyond the caching for the tests.