

Questions Log: Best Practices

Q: I missed the two earlier sessions today because of internet connection problems. when can I view these again

A: You can view our recordings by going to our TPESC webpage and clicking on the E-Rate training link. Then, you'll see the link for the recordings.

Q: what is the url or link for the TPESC webpage?

A: <http://tpesc.esc12.net/>

Q: if a school is being torn down, but rebuilt at the same address, will it have the same entity number?

A: Your best answer would come from CSB. Double check with them.

Q: What if the URL has more characters than are allowed in the space on the 470?

A: You have to figure a way around it. Maybe point them to your home page with a clear indicator on that page for the RFP.

Q: Can we create our own rubric as long as all vendors know the criteria and price is the most weighted.

A: Absolutely

Q: Is there a guideline for how much more price needs to be weighted than other factors?

A: No. It can be just one point more.

Q: Is there a rule on the number of evaluators necessary?

A: No. One or more!

Q: When does the STaR Chart open?

A: The data from last year in STaR Char has been archived and it's ready for this next year right now.

Q: Will the 09-10 STaR chart be available before school starts?

A: It's ready now.

Q: How does the district handle completion of the STAR chart by a new teacher to the district or new 1st year teacher that may not have any knowledge of the technology in our district?

A: When that teacher takes the survey, you're going to get data about what the teacher knows currently from a previous location.

Q: If you have a multi-year Technology Plan, and you are in the second year doing a revision, does the certification page need to be sent in again? The online submission process says it needs to be, but the ePlan certification page doesn't come up.

A: Certifications need to be sent in only if a new plan is submitted.

Q: is faxing the ePlan certification page to TPESC new this year? We don't remember doing this in the past.

A: No, it's always been one option for sending to us.

Q: Have a new Principal. How do we remove the old Principal add the new Principal in STaR Chart.

A: Email your principal changes to us at starchart@esc12.net

Q: We are building a new building for our PreK. The location is different. Can we move the PBX from the old to the new? The PBX is in its 5th year.

A: Yes

Q: We just started construction on a new school which should be in done by August of 2010, can I include it in E-rate 13?

A: You'll want to include the new location if you want anything paid that being installed prior to the beginning of the next year.

Q: The district uses the RFCSP as the contract. When the bidder turns in the RFCSP the person authorized to sign contracts signs a one page from committing to adhere to all criteria included within the RFCSP. The RFCSPs are then evaluated by a team. Recommendations are made to the board for approval. The superintendent then signs following board approval. Is this an acceptable process?

A: Looks acceptable to me.

Q: If funded for YR11 in July 2009, what is the best practice to handle the priority 2 projects since the contract dates were from 7/1/2008 to 6/30/2009.

A: Use the Form 500 to get the contract dates extended.