Ruckus Networking RFP

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RFP information field	Response
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Issue Date	November 6, 2026
Question Deadline	November 16, 2026 5:00PM CST
Proposal Due Date and Time	December 1, 2026, before 5:00PM CST

Background and Introduction

Founded in 1964, Colby Community College (CCC) is a public, comprehensive two-year institution located in Colby, Kansas. The College serves more than 2,000 students annually through transfer degree programs, career and technical education, workforce development, online learning, agriculture programs, nursing and allied health education, veterinary nursing, NJCAA athletics, rodeo, and student housing.

Located in northwest Kansas, approximately 50 miles from the Colorado and Nebraska borders, CCC serves students from Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska, as well as across the United States, through its on-campus and online programs. The College plays a vital role in preparing students for transfer to four-year institutions, immediate employment, and lifelong learning while supporting the workforce and economic development needs of the region.

Purpose

Colby Community College (CCC) is requesting competitive proposals for Ruckus network switching equipment, Ruckus wireless access points, and Ruckus One cloud management licenses. The purpose is to obtain the equipment and licensing options described in this RFP for the new dormitory. Vendors proposing alternatives must identify all deviations and demonstrate compatibility. There will be two stacks of three switches in the dorms and one switch in the maintenance shop that will support ethernet clients, WiFi clients, cameras, and access controls.

Quantity	Description
2	Ruckus ICX8200-48ZP2-E2 switches
4	Ruckus ICX8200-48P switches
1	Ruckus ICX-8200-24P switch
29	Ruckus R575 Tri-Band Wi-Fi 7 AP
2	Ruckus R370 Dual-Band Wi-Fi 7 AP
9	Ruckus PCUSA2: POWER CORD, USA, NEMA5-15/C13, 13A, 125V RUCKUS
6	Ruckus 25G-SFP28-TWX-0101 1 meter Stacking cables
38	Ruckus CLD-ESNT-APSW-REC1: Ruckus One Essentials - 1 Year

Project Timeline

Milestone	Date or Deadline
RFP issued	November 6, 2026, before 5:00PM CST
Deadline for questions	November 13, 2026, before 5:00PM CST
Response to Questions	November 16, 2026
Proposal due date	December 1, 2026, before 5:00PM CST
Vendor selection	December 14, 2026, before 5:00PM CST
Final award notification	December 15, 2026
Project completion deadline	May,15,2027

Scope of Work or Specifications

- Vendors shall provide itemized proposals for the quantities and minimum specifications below. Hardware must be new. Quote-specific model numbers establish the required configuration; proposed equivalents must identify the manufacturer, model, and any deviations.
- Vendor shall provide the 1-year subscription pricing with optional 3-year, and 5-year subscription pricing provided for transparency.
- Delivery must be before May 15, 2027.
- Vendor must state all licensing, support, warranty, installation, configuration, and shipping inclusions and exclusions.
- Vendor must identify any additional hardware, software, licenses, power supplies, cabling, or services required but not expressly listed.
- Do not include sales tax. CCC is tax-exempt and can provide an exemption certificate upon request.

Proposal Requirements

Proposals must include the information below and clearly distinguish required items from alternate subscription pricing.

- Vendor legal name, business address, primary contact, phone number, and email address.
- Itemized pricing by line item, unit price, extended price, shipping/freight and other charges, total excluding sales tax, and separate pricing for each subscription-term alternative.
- Manufacturer and model numbers for all hardware, licensing, and services; included features, support, warranty, and details of any proposed substitutions.
- Estimated delivery date and implementation assumptions.
- Any required insurance documentation, product datasheets, support and warranty details, exclusions, and subcontractor information, if applicable.

Submission Instructions

The RFP will be posted on CCC's *website* and will be available for download as of 5:00 p.m. on November 6, 2026.

Evaluation and Selection Process

All submitted proposals will be reviewed and evaluated based on compatibility with CCC's existing environment, completeness of the migration and support plan, delivery schedule, and total proposed cost. The CCC Administration will make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at the December 14, 2026 meeting. The selected vendor will be notified within 24 hours of the BOT's approval of a recommendation.

All submitted proposals will be reviewed and evaluated. The CCC Administration will make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at the December 21, 2026 meeting. The selected vendor will be notified within 24 hours of the BOT's approval of a recommendation.

Mandatory Disclosures and Requirements

Tax Exempt

Colby Community College (CCC) is a tax-exempt entity. All bids should reflect that no sales tax is included in the final submission. A project exemption certificate will be provided at the request of the vendor.

Exclusions

If any exclusions exist as part of this proposal, vendors must clearly define them in a section labeled "exclusions".

Subcontracted Work (if applicable)

If any part of the project's scope will be outsourced to a third party, the vendor's name and the work to be completed must be included in the proposal. CCC reserves the right to request a different subcontracted company.

Questions and Communications

Inquiries, questions, and requests for clarification related to this RFP are to be directed electronically to the Controller, Alicia Moore, at alicia.moore@colbycc.edu. Verbal communication is not effective unless formally confirmed in writing by the procurement official managing this RFP process. In no case shall verbal communication govern over written communication.

• Errors and omissions in this RFP, and enhancements: Vendors shall bring to CCC any discrepancies, errors, or omissions that may exist within this RFP, and shall recommend any enhancements that might be in the best interests of CCC. These recommendations must be submitted in writing and received prior to November 16, 2026. • Inquiries about technical interpretations must be submitted electronically and received prior to November 16, 2026.

• Inquiries for clarification or information that will not require addenda may be submitted verbally to the procurement contact named above at any time during this process.

• CCC will not respond to any question or request for clarification that requires addenda if it is received after November 13, 2026.

• CCC will respond to all questions by November 16, 2026.

• All pertinent RFP information, including addenda and other answers to submitted questions, will be posted to the CCC vendors webpage only, under "Active RFPs".

Statement of Disclosure

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept that bid which appears to be in the best interest of the college, to waive any informalities in any part of any bid, and to reject any or all bids received after the date and time specified. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for the opening of bids. The bidder to whom the award is made may be required to enter into a written contract with the college and provide a performance or public works bond as required by law or the Board of Trustees (where applicable).