



# KC International Academy

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DATE: JANUARY 22, 2025  
TO: DR. STACY KING  
FROM: BRUCE REHMER, TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR  
SUBJECT: 3RD FLOOR WIRING RACK

On December 17<sup>th</sup> 2024, we released a request to Vendors across the country to respond to KCIA's desire to move the hanging network rack in the 3rd floor closet to be a floor mounted rack. This request was published through KCIA's website and also the national ERATE program hosted by the Universal Service Administrative Company which operates under the FCC. This request/bid was closed on Tuesday, January 21st, 2025.

We received two proposals from the Vendors listed below.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>COST OF PROJECT</u>	<u>KCIA Costs with 85% ERATE Discount</u>
RTI	\$5,395.44	\$809.32
KC12ITC	\$8,122.28	\$1,218.34

I am recommending **RTI's** solution to provide the new rack and move the cables. This project would occur in July, to abide by the ERATE guidelines. RTI not only has the lowest cost proposal but is offering a 4 post rack that is completely enclosed with a lockable door. Since there could be staff or students entering that closet, having a lockable rack would be a prudent choice.

We have done successful business with RTI over the last few years with networked battery backups, along with laptops and chromebooks purchases. RTI's knowledge and help in retrieving our ERATE reimbursements was commendable in the past.

KCIA will apply for ERATE funding to receive discounts on this service. With an acceptable ERATE reimbursement decision the total cost for KCIA would be \$809.32 for the project.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rehmer