



## REQUEST FOR QUOTES (RFQ)

### PATCHBOX Cable Management System

James A. Rhodes State College

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#### 1. Introduction

James A. Rhodes State College ("the College"), a public institution of higher education located in Allen County, Ohio, is requesting written quotes from qualified vendors for the purchase of PATCHBOX-brand cable management systems and accessories for use in campus network racks. PATCHBOX products provide modular, retractable, structured cable-management solutions that cannot be substituted with other manufacturers.

This RFQ is issued in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code, all applicable Ohio ethics laws (ORC 102, 2921.42, 2921.43), ORC 9.24 Findings for Recovery requirements, and Rhodes State College purchasing procedures. The College may award to the lowest responsive and responsible vendor or may reject any or all quotes.

No substitutions or equivalents will be accepted

#### 2. Scope of Work / Specifications

The College requires brand-specific PATCHBOX hardware in the quantities listed below. All items must be new, genuine PATCHBOX products and must include all manufacturer-standard components.

##### A. PATCHBOX Cassette & Patch Cable Management Units

- a. PATCHBOX® 8RU C6T Cassette & Patch Units
  - Modular cable-management system with retractable cassettes
  - Category 6 cable-ready
  - Quantity: 32
- b. PATCHBOX® 30RU C6T Cassette & Patch Units
  - Larger 30RU modular cable-management system
  - Category 6 cable-ready
  - Quantity: 124

##### B. Cable Management Accessories

- a. PATCHBOX® Cable Holder – 4-Pack
  - Multi-piece cable guide designed for compatibility with PATCHBOX systems
  - Quantity: 10

### 3. Brand Requirement

The College requires PATCHBOX® brand components due to their proprietary retractable cassette architecture, design compatibility with existing infrastructure, and lack of acceptable equivalents.

### 4. Submission Instruction

Quotes must be submitted via email to:

Tony Jackson  
 Chief Information Officer / Director of Operations  
 James A. Rhodes State College  
[Jackson.T1@rhodesstate.edu](mailto:Jackson.T1@rhodesstate.edu)

Deadline for quotes: December 19, 2025 by 5:00 p.m.

Quotes must include:

- Vendor legal name, address, and contact information
- Ohio Supplier ID
- Detailed pricing matching or exceeding specifications
- Delivery lead times
- Any shipping or additional fees
- Completed pricing table
- Signed Non-Collusion & Ethics Compliance Statement (Section 8)

### 5. Pricing Table

The vendor shall produce a pricing table as part of its response. The table must list every product and service described in this RFQ, including model numbers, quantities, unit pricing, extended pricing, and a total project cost. The pricing table must be comprehensive and all-inclusive. Any omission of required line items may result in the submission being deemed non-responsive.

### 6. Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation will be based on:

- a. Price
- b. Responsiveness to specifications

## 7. Terms and Conditions

- a. This RFQ does not commit the College to award a contract or pay any costs related to quote preparation.
- b. Vendor must comply with federal, state, and local laws, including all Ohio ethics requirements.
- c. All items must be new, factory-sealed, and covered by manufacturer warranty.

## 8. Findings for Recovery & Debarment Compliance

Vendor certifies that it:

- Is not subject to a Finding for Recovery (ORC 9.24), or has fully resolved it.
- Is not suspended or debarred federally or by the State of Ohio.

## 9. Non-Collusion & Ethics Compliance Statement

By submitting a quote, vendor certifies:

- a. The quote is genuine and not the result of collusion or fraud.
- b. No College employee has an unlawful interest in this quote
- c. Vendor complies with ORC 102, 2921.42, and 2921.43.

Authorized Vendor Signature:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 10. Contact for Questions

All questions must be submitted to [Jackson.T1@rhodesstate.edu](mailto:Jackson.T1@rhodesstate.edu)