

eGroup Enabling Technologies Evaluates MFA and Cybersecurity Options with Cisco DUO Renewal for Linn-Marr Community School District

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EDU

Industry Education

1,200

Org Size

employees

Cisco Renewal

Deal Highlight

Products & Services

Cisco DUO Advantage

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Linn-Mar School District **Competition**

Entra ID

CHALLENGE

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Linn-Mar Community School District faced a decision about renewal of their Cisco DUO contract, coinciding with their fiscal year timeline. This renewal presented an opportunity for the district to expand their use of multifactor authentication (MFA) beyond assigned laptops to include servers. They were also considering an alternative option: transitioning to Microsoft Entra ID as the MFA solution. The district sought to weigh the benefits and drawbacks of both options and determine the best path to enhance cybersecurity measures while aligning with budgetary and operational requirements.

SOLUTION

eGroup Enabling Technologies assessed the district's options for both renewal or starting fresh with MFA solutions. A comprehensive SWOT analysis was conducted, evaluating the strengths. weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of Cisco DUO and Microsoft Entra ID. This analysis considered the capabilities of each solution, including any additional features they offered beyond basic MFA functionality. After a thorough assessment, eGroup Enabling Technologies provided the school district with valuable insights to inform their decision-making process and determine the most advantageous solution to enhance their cybersecurity measures.

OUTCOMES

With license pricing serving as a key factor, Linn-Mar chose to go with a Cisco DUO subscription. With their existing investment in Cisco DUO and the familiarity of their users with the platform, renewing was the preferred and most efficient option.

The district also benefited from a 40-month term extension for 100 Cisco DUO licenses, providing long-term cost savings and stability. The Cisco team offered additional discounts, contributing to overall cost-effectiveness and ensuring that the district's cybersecurity needs were met within their budget.

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Contractual Value

100 Cisco DUO Advantage Licenses