

VA Tech RFP 648251 – Fixed Assets Inventory Tracking System – Questions & Answers – 3

1) Does scanner imaging need color or black and white for display and recording? Color might be useful if the scanners can take photos of equipment for such purposes as documenting condition.	Colored imaging would be preferred. Currently imaging is not being used. This feature would be for future expandability to help document items that may be hard to locate by just a name or description.
2) Regarding WiFi, what is needed - a/b/g, b/g, or something else?	b/g is available nearly everywhere; a/b/g is mainly in academic areas.
3) Regarding Section D-Security, what level of security is needed?	Security mainly refers to systems integration. Note that data transfers between the scanners and Banner need to use secure file transfer rather than FTP.
4) What level of security is needed for the scanner and the data? Do you need encryption?	Security to find lost scanners might be useful. No encryption needed. Since the location is entered as a code, no one viewing the scanner data will clearly see equipment location.
5) Do you have a disaster recovery plan?	Recovery is not needed for the scanners, as the database resides in Banner, not the scanners. The data is transferred between Banner and the scanners daily. If data is lost from the scanners, we can recapture the next day at less cost than any recovery process. We do not necessarily need disaster recovery capability; we do need a type of utility that a backup copy is created in the scanner before the transfer is started in case we run into uploading issues of the scanner to Banner. Our current scanners hold this feature.
6) Regarding Section D, is user authentication needed?	No authentication is needed for the scanners. The Banner database has user authentication, but that's separate.
7) Are you working now with any manufacturers directly?	No, not for this RFP. SunGard HE is our vendor for the Banner fixed asset database, but not the functions of this RFP.