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E-rate 2.0 Update

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*E-rate Update and Program
Changes*



CTF Changes



Questions

Goals

Goals Of the E-rate Program



High speed broadband goals



internet connectivity

Short term - At least 100 Mbps per 1,000 students

Long term - 1 Gbps per 1,000 students

WAN connectivity

Dedicated services scalable to 10 Gbps per 1,000 students

LAN connectivity

Not set at this time

Key program changes



1

Name Changes

Priority 1 = Category One
Priority 2 = Category Two

2

Districtwide Discount

Calculated on a district-wide,
simple average basis

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Increase of Funding Cap

3.9 Billion from \$2.4 Billion
and growing.

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Category One

Conveyance of broadband
to the building. Funding
broadband and Internet
access.

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Category Two

Conveyance of broadband
within the building. \$1 billion
initial target.
Roll-over not included
Install in April / Invoice in July
Eliminated 2-in-5 Rule.

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Tech Plans

Eliminated Technology Plan
requirements.

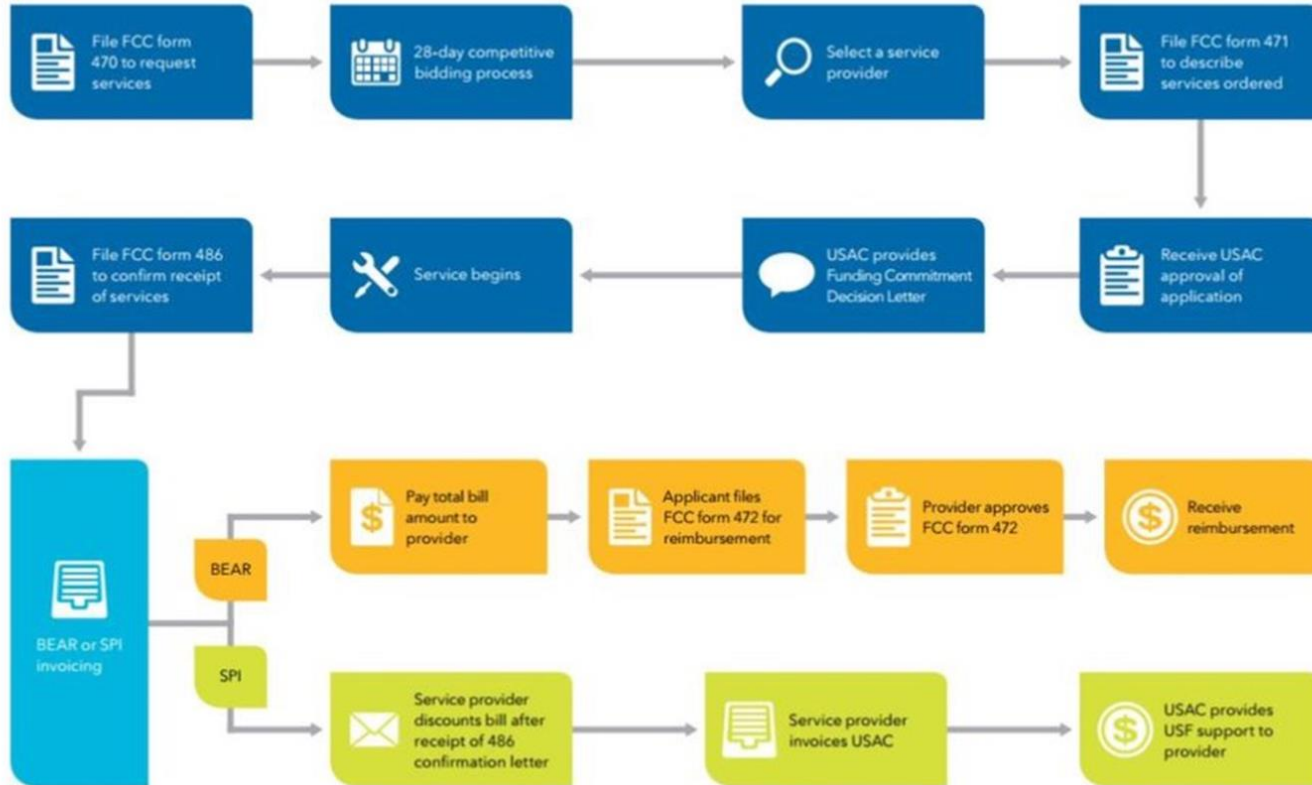
new discount matrix



INCOME Measured by % of students eligible for the National School Lunch Program	CATEGORY ONE		CATEGORY TWO	
	URBAN Discount	RURAL Discount	URBAN Discount	RURAL Discount
Less than 1%	20%	25%	20%	25%
1% to 19%	40%	50%	40%	50%
20% to 34%	50%	60%	50%	60%
35% to 49%	60%	70%	60%	70%
50% to 74%	80%	80%	80%	80%
75% to 100%	90%	90%	85%	85%

Timeline

General overview



Category one – what is funded?

Services needed to support broadband connectivity to schools and libraries



Internet access

Basic conduit access to the Internet - bundled, managed or unbundled.



Digital transmission services

Services that provide broadband to eligible locations including data links that connect multiple points.



Eligible voice services

Subject to an annual 20 percentage point phase down of E-rate support beginning in FY 2015

Beginning in FY 2015, paging/voicemail, webhosting, text messaging and e-mail will no longer be eligible for E-rate discounts. Cellular plans eligible only in specific instances.

Category two – what is funded?

Internal connections needed for broadband connectivity **within** schools and libraries. Support is limited to the internal connections necessary to bring broadband into, and provide it throughout, schools and Libraries.



Managed
internal
broadband
services



LAN/WLAN
Broadband
Internal
Connections
Components



Caching
servers



Basic
Maintenance
of
Eligible
Broadband
Internal
Connections

Category two – continued

Internal connections needed for broadband connectivity **within** schools and libraries. Support is limited to the internal connections necessary to bring broadband into, and provide it throughout, schools and Libraries.

- \$150 per student OR \$9200 for sites with enrollment under 62 students, **pre-discount** .
- Budget is for 5-year term, starting in FY 2015. Replaces 2-in-5 rule.
- Each budget is calculated at site/school level.
- Applicant may apply for project utilizing total budget, or break it out over multi-year applications.
- Non-instructional facilities (NIFs) not eligible for Category Two support

Category two – continued

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E-rate Category 2 Budget By Site					
	A	B	F	G	H
Name of Eligible Entity	Total ADA of Students Per Site	Pre-Discount Per Site (A*\$150)	E-Rate Pays	Site Pays	District E-rate Discount
District Office	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	85%
Charter School	55	\$9,200.00	\$7,820.00	\$1,380.00	85%
Middle School	381	\$57,150.00	\$48,577.50	\$8,572.50	85%
Elementary School	417	\$62,550.00	\$53,167.50	\$9,382.50	85%
ELIGIBLE TOTALS	853	\$128,900.00	\$109,565.00	\$19,335.00	\$103,120.00

additional program changes



1

Document Retention

Documents must be retained for 10 years from last date to receive service (i.e. contract expiration date)

2

Streamlining the Process

All forms to be filed electronically.
Elimination of tech plan requirement.

3

EPC Portal

Account and application management portal for the E-rate Program

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BEAR Payments

Starting FY 2016, applicants will need to accept payments electronically.

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Cost-Effective Service

Compare pricing for like products and services with other applicants across the country.
Contracts must be made public unless protected by statute or court order.

6

Invoicing Deadlines

Only one 120-day extension allowed starting with all open FRNs.
Request for Extension must be filed by Invoice Deadline.

EPC

E-rate productivity center

Account and application management portal for the E-rate Program

- Use this tool to manage program processes and to submit questions
- Over the course of the next year, the remaining E-rate Program forms for applicants and service providers will be available in EPC. EPC will allow users to get information about the status of their applications, reminders about important dates, and correspondence from Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) and other review teams. Letters and other correspondence will be stored in EPC so that users can easily access them at any time.

CTF changes

California teleconnect fund

- SPI (Service Provider Invoice) required
- Retains a 50% discount structure for newly updated eligible services, except for voice services
- Reduced from 50% to 25%.
- Sets new eligibility requirements.
- Eliminates CTF discounts for wireless cellular data plans.
- Provides CTF discounts for wireless data plans and air cards only if the entity can demonstrate it is the most cost-effective means of internet access, consistent with the Federal E-Rate program.

Questions?



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