

The Federal E-Rate Program in South Carolina Funding Year 2014-15

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General Goal

To bring the world to South Carolina's youth through the Internet.



Topics...

- ❑ Bandwidth Allocation

- ❑ State Master Contracts

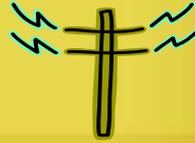
- ❑ E-Rate Program Updates

- ❑ SC E-Rate Program FY 2014-15

- ❑ Important Deadlines



Bandwidth Allocation



Revisions to Internet Policy

Baseline Maximum Methodology

- School Districts
 - Minimum 10 Kbps per student (100 Mbps per 1,000 students) provided via a tiered approach based on district necessity
- Library Systems
 - Minimum 10 Mbps provided and upgrades will be provided based on library/system necessity
- Approach used to provide ample coverage to all districts to support both current and future technologies
- Bandwidth tracking measures taken to prevent over allocation of this resource, promote efficient usage

Note: No revisions made to current Private-Side WAN/LAN Policy.

Bandwidth Allocation



Internet Eligible Tier Structure

Bandwidth Adjustments

- Based on the PowerSchool data provided by SCDE
 - Student Headcounts
 - Free & Reduced Lunch (NSLP) Discount %



Verify the accuracy of this data!



Note: USAC prefers the use of state certified data.



<https://sck12techinit.sc.gov/content/bandwidth-allocation-policies>

State Master Contracts



New State Master Contracts (SMCs) Awards

- Network Products-AEROHIVE
- Network Products & Services-Xirrus
- Polycom Video Conferencing Equipment
- Oracle Software
- Symantec Security Products

New SMCs in Progress...

- Lifesize Video Conferencing Equipment

Expiring SMCs that will be replaced...

- Voice Over IP (VOIP)

***A Cellular RFP will not be issued, continue doing your own Form 470 and mini-bid evaluation process.**

E-Rate Program Updates



E-Rate 2.0

FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)

- **Objective:** Program Modernization
 - Ensuring Affordable Broadband Access
 - Maximizing the Cost-effectiveness of E-Rate Funds
 - Streamlining Program Administration
 - Other Outstanding Issues
 - CIPA Compliance
 - Rural Identification/NSLP Changes
 - Abuse/Fraud/Waste Prevention

Reply Comments Date Deadline: **10/16/2013**

To submit your comments go to <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/upload/display?z=xj9g5>

SC E-Rate FY 2014-15

Statewide E-Rate Funding

FY 2013-14 Total Funding Request: \$ 68,320,213

Average E-Rate Discount %: 81.66 %



File for all eligible services!

SC E-Rate FY 2014-15

Free! Fall Training Opportunities



Training

Knowledge
useful abilities.
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Dates will be announced early November 2013

Visit the following website for additional information

<https://sck12techinit.sc.gov/content/sc-e-rate-training-information>

Important Deadlines

Submit last 2012-13 Payment Forms (BEAR/SPI)

Deadline Varies!

January 28, 2014

October 28, 2014

Submit 2013-14 Service Start Date Form 486 for existing service

As Soon As Possible!

(OR within 120 days of your FCDL, whichever is later)

For expiring technology plans, draft plans must be submitted to SDE

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Submit a validated list of locations for the 2014-15 funding year to DSIT (School Districts & Libraries)

By **October 31, 2013** to Petra Turner for statewide E-Rate applications

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Prepare for the 2014-15 Filing Window

*TBD

Questions?

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