



# THE EMERGENCY CONNECTIVITY FUND

The FCC's Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) is a \$7.17 billion program that will help schools and libraries provide the tools and services their communities need for remote learning during the COVID-19 emergency period. ECF will help provide relief to millions of students, school staff, and library patrons and will help close the Homework Gap for students who currently lack necessary Internet access or the devices they need to connect to classrooms.

## Who Is Eligible to Receive ECF Funds?

Schools, libraries, and consortia of schools and libraries that are eligible for support under the FCC's E-Rate Program, as well as Tribal libraries eligible for support under the Library Services and Technology Act.

## How Can Schools & Libraries Apply ?

The FCC will open a second application filing window on September 28 that will run until October 13. During this new application filing window, eligible schools, libraries, and consortia of eligible schools and libraries can submit requests for funding to purchase eligible equipment and services between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.



### EQUIPMENT

Eligible equipment includes Wi-Fi hotspots, modems (including air cards), routers, devices that combine a modem and router, and connected devices (laptop and tablet computers).



### SERVICE

Schools and libraries can also receive funding for commercially available broadband service that provides a fixed or mobile broadband connection for off-campus use by students, school staff or library patrons.



### NEED HELP

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