



## **IT That Enhances Learning**

PCM-G Assists organizations in assessing technology needs, and supplying the products and services you need to meet your objectives. To support your educational objectives and enhance student learning you need a robust wireless technology solution for your school or library. PCM-G will help you determine the requirements, develop a deployment plan, and deliver the solution on-time and under budget.



# E-Rate Program for Underserved Schools and Libraries

E-Rate is the commonly used name for the Schools and Libraries Program of the Universal Service Fund, which is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) under the direction of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Qualifying schools and libraries can receive discounts of up to 90% by participating in the program.

#### **Delivering Universal Broadband Service**

Millions of people across the United States do not have access to broadband services. USAC is dedicated to closing that digital divide through universal service and ensuring communities around the country are connected to necessary educational resources. For schools and libraries, this means keeping students and library patrons connected to internet and voice services.





#### Participation Basics

Funding may be requested under two categories of service: Category One Services include Data Transmission Services and Internet Access, and Voice Services. Category Two Services include Internal Connections, Managed Internal Broadband Services, and Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections. Discounts for support depend on the category of service requested, the level of need, and the urban/rural status of the appropriate school district. Discounts range from 20 to 90 percent of the costs of eligible services. Voice Services are subject to a phasedown of 20 percent each funding year until Funding Year (FY) 2019, when voice services will no longer be funded.

Resources and additional information can be found at: http://www.usac.org/sl/

#### PCM-G Will Evaluate Your Wireless Network Needs

As part of the application process, PCM-G thoroughly investigates each applicant's wireless network needs. Drawing on 30 years of experience as a public sector IT provider, PCM-G recommends a service plan that considers such factors as:

- Size of your institution, in terms of both square footage and number of technology users (students, teachers, and staff).
- Location of your institution, because rural areas have different technology access levels and demands than urban areas.
- State of existing wireless network infrastructure and capacity for integration with new services or devices.

- Current technology policies, such as 1:1 computing or Bring Your Own Device (BYOD).
- Extent of internal and external funding support.
  - With this information, **PCM-G** tailors a service plan to meet the needs specific to your institution and program goals.

### PCM-G Supplies Wireless Network Technology and Operations

PCM-G offers two methods for ordering and operating your wireless network, both of which are applicable for E-Rate subsidies:

- Traditional Capital Outlay: Your institution can purchase wireless network equipment from PCM-G, and PCM-G will install, operate, and maintain the equipment for a fee.
- New Operational Expense: E-Rate eligible as of 2016, your institution can purchase the monthly operation of your wireless network service, and PCM-G will supply, install, and maintain the equipment necessary to provide the wireless network service, at no additional charge to you. This ordering method is ideal for institutions that desire lower annual costs and increased flexibility in their wireless network infrastructure.



PCM-G has been serving the technology needs of Public Sector customers worldwide for 30 years. Through a range of contract vehicles and a dedicated support team, we ensure your project is a success, on time and under budget. Our innovative IT solutions offerings for the Public Sector include Cybersecurity, Cyber Supply Chain Risk Management (C-SCRM), Secure Mobile Computing, Data & Predictive Analytics, High-Density Wi-Fi, Cloud Computing, Change Management, Healthcare, and the Digital Classroom. PCM-G also offers managed and professional services, IT and infrastructure consulting, and system architecture design and management solutions.

PCM-G actively recruits military veterans to join the company. PCM-G headquarters are located in Chantilly, Virginia, just outside of Washington, D.C.