

I am writing to provide comments to the FCC on the E-Rate NPRM, proceeding 13-184. E-Rate has been very important to Toppenish School District because it has helped our students and teachers gain access to a wealth of online resources, communicate and collaborate, and develop the 21st century skills necessary for college and career. However, E-Rate funding levels have not kept pace with Toppenish School Districts bandwidth needs. I urge you to raise the E-Rate funding level to at least \$5 billion per year, which is close to the average demand level for each of the past two years. This program has helped a large amount of low income communities keep up with the demands of technology and bring 21 century learning into the classroom. I hope that this is taken into consideration for all of the future and present students of America.