

I am writing to provide comments to the FCC on the E-Rate NPRM, proceeding 13-184. If it were not for E-Rate, our students would never be prepared to participate in today's job market, let alone meet higher education requirements. We do not have the funds in our school district to keep up with the demands and changes that are being wrought at the Federal level in testing requirements. The E-Rate program has been instrumental in providing our students access to 21st century expectations. We really depend on the funding that the E-Rate program provides to keep pace with the quickly changing technology revolution. We urge the FCC to increase funding to the E-Rate program by at least \$5 billion. Our schools' future depends on it. Our students' future depends on it. The success of America will rise and fall on how well we prepare our citizens to meet the demands of today's economy. It begins with support of our local K-12 schools. Please increase funding to this wonderful program. Our schools are proof of this program in action. Thank you for all that you have done for us, and all that you will do.