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NOTICE OF EX PARTE

December 20, 2013

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Modernizing the E-rate Program for Schools and Libraries*, WC Docket No. 13-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 20, 2013, Jeb Benedict and Melissa Newman, in person, and Mary LaFave, Al Lubeck and Shelly Eggert, by phone, all of CenturyLink, met with Lisa Hone, Michael Steffen, Trent Harkrader, Jonathan Chambers, Dania Ayoubi, Charles Eberle and Soumitra Das to discuss the above-captioned proceedings.

In the meeting, CenturyLink described its Ethernet service deployment and availability in rural and non-rural areas, highlighting the widespread availability of high-capacity broadband services to schools and libraries – and other business customers – by its local operating companies nationwide. CenturyLink answered questions about availability, typical network architecture for high capacity E-rate customers, pricing procedures, special construction, and pricing trends. It discussed how Denver and Montrose, Colorado illustrate CenturyLink's capabilities and offerings, and described the considerable availability of high capacity service in the company's rural Arkansas service territory. CenturyLink emphasized that the quickest and certainly the most cost effective way to expand connectivity to America's schools and libraries is by leveraging the extensive networks of commercial service providers like CenturyLink.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), this ex parte presentation is being filed for inclusion in the records of the above-referenced proceedings.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melissa Newman

Copy via email to
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Michael Steffen
Trent Harkrader
Jonathan Chambers
Charles Eberle

Dania Ayoubi
Soumitra Das

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30 Miles
48 Km
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Laramie
Cheyenne
DINOSAUR NAT'L MONUMENT
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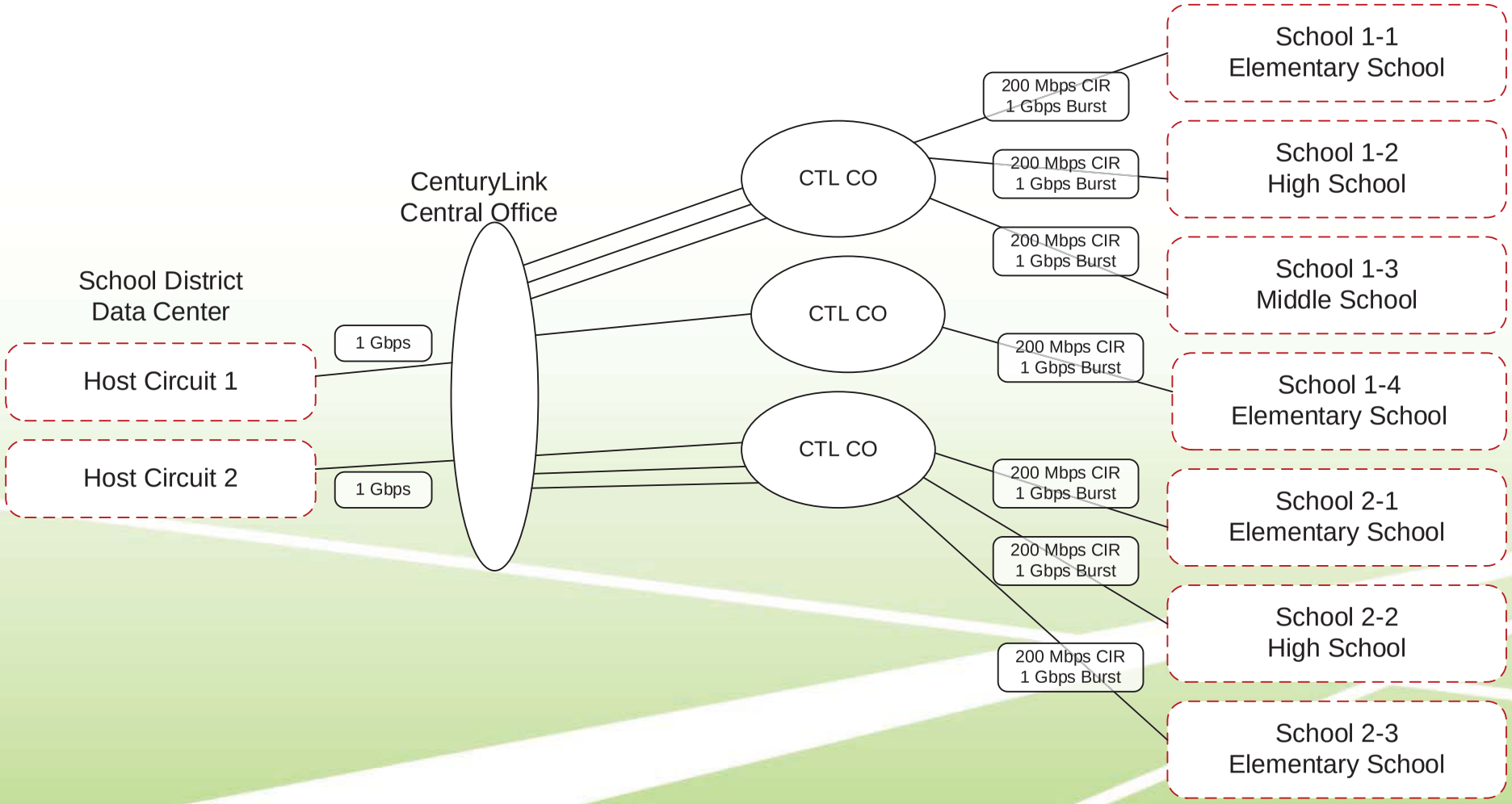

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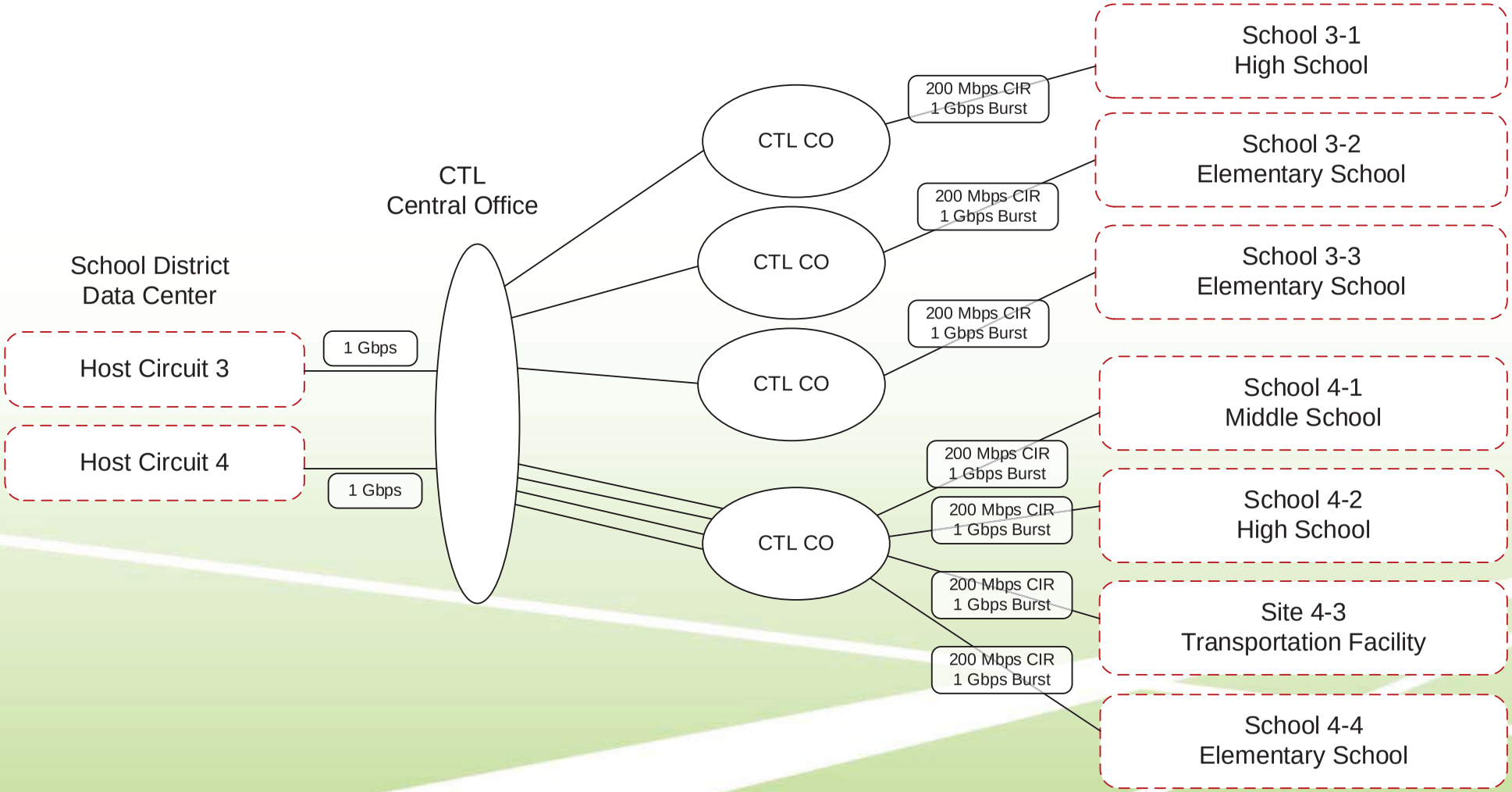

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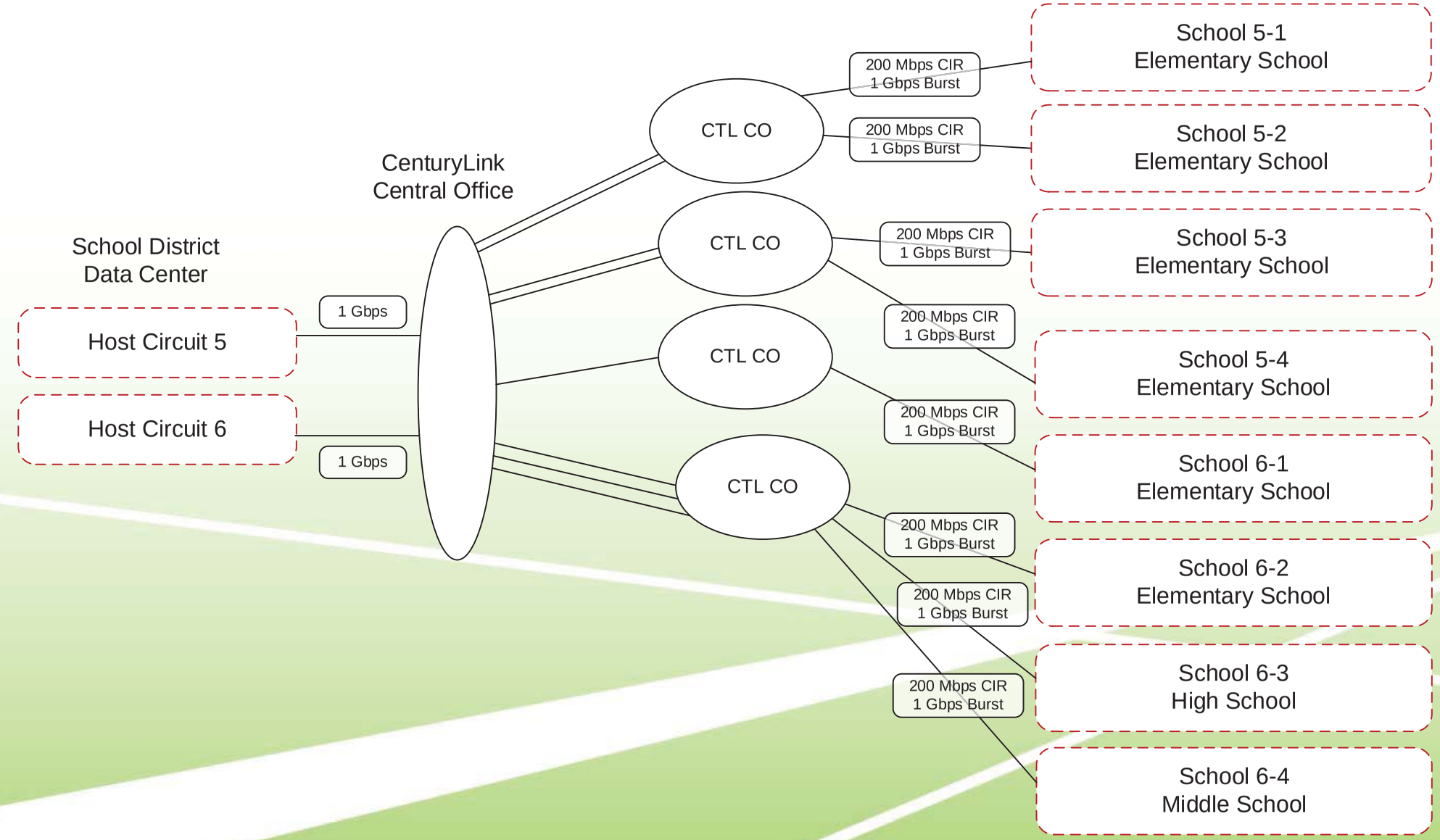

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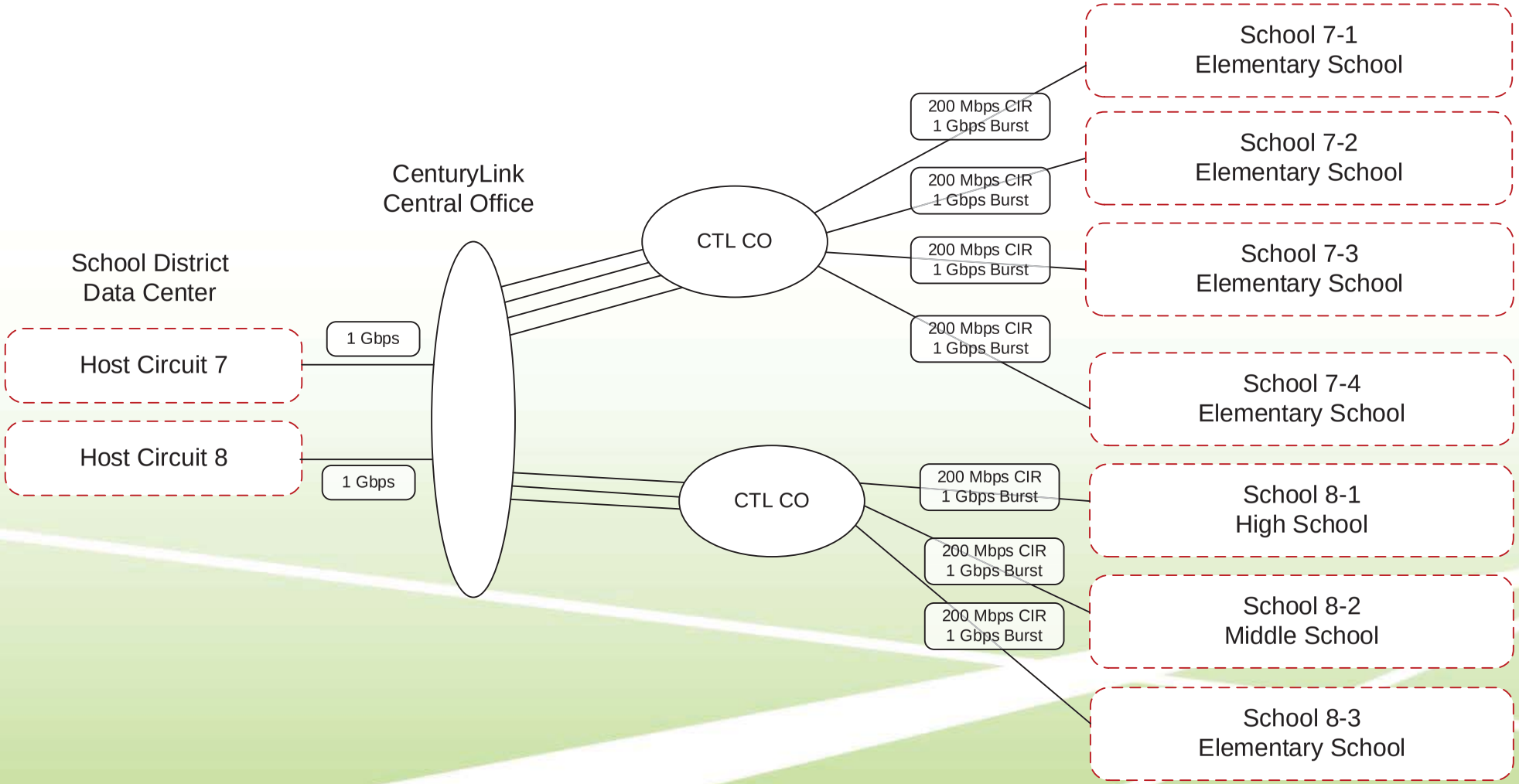

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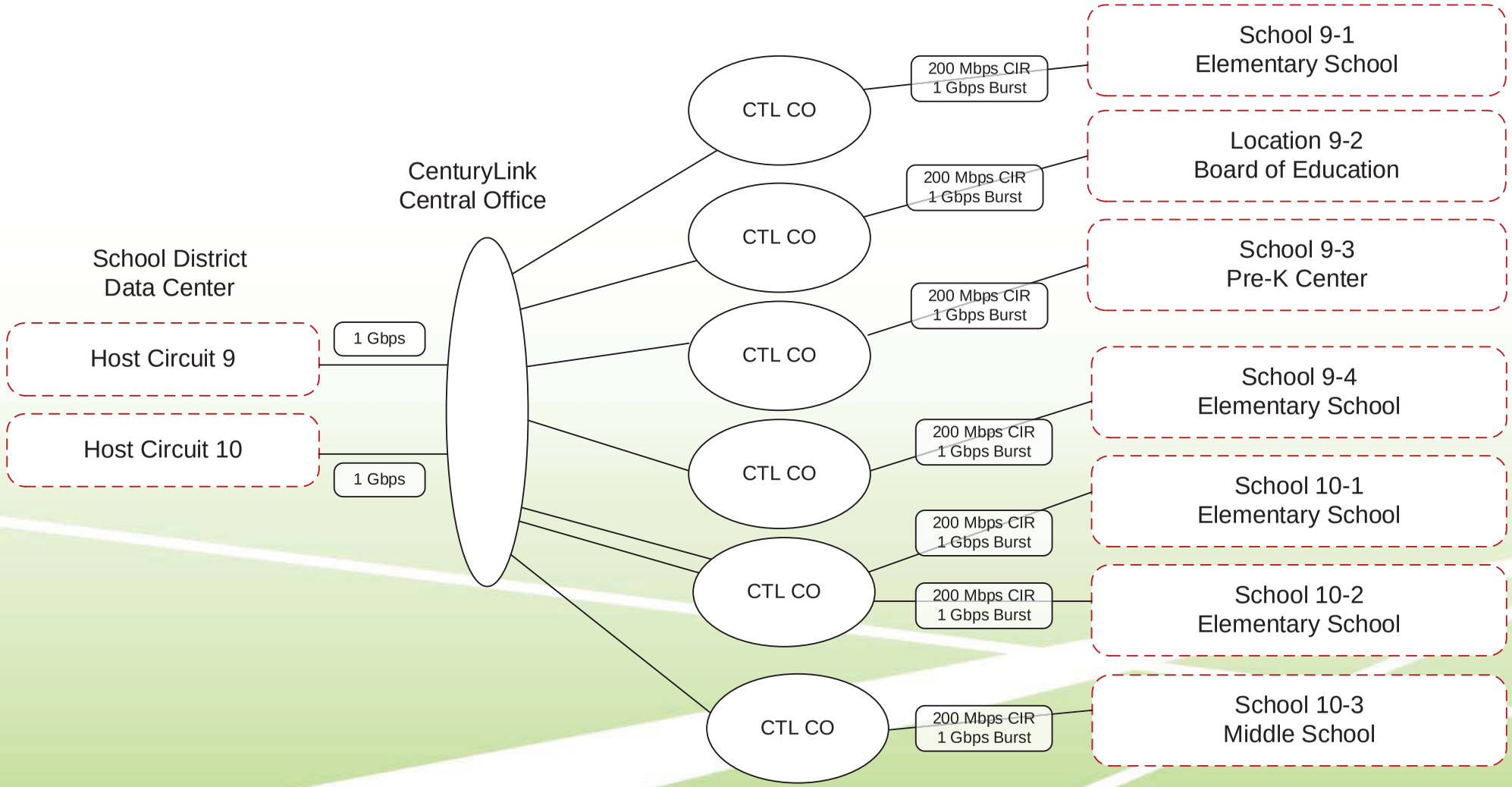

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