

## How It Works

The Schools and Libraries (E-Rate) program provides funding towards eligible services for schools and libraries.



### Eligible Applicants

Public or private schools (K-12), libraries, and groups of schools and libraries (e.g., consortia, districts, systems) can apply for discounts on eligible services. [See the full list.](#)



### Eligible Services

Internet access, telecommunications services, and related equipment are eligible for discounts. [See the full list.](#)

## The Process

These steps will help applicants navigate the process to get funding. For service providers, please follow [these steps](#).

- 1 Competitive Bidding
- 2 Selecting a Service Provider
- 3 Applying for Discounts
- 4 Application Review
- 5 Starting Services
- 6 Pay for discounted services  
— or —  
Pay for services and invoice USAC for reimbursement