

## Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program

The Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program (Pilot Program) will provide up to \$200 million in Universal Service Fund support to eligible schools and libraries to defray the cost of eligible cybersecurity services and equipment. The three-year Pilot Program aims to address cybersecurity threats facing schools and libraries, including being targeted by malicious actors who seek to steal personal information, compromise online accounts, cause online harm or embarrassment, or otherwise disable/ disrupt critical networks that provide broadband connectivity. Administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) with oversight from the FCC, the Pilot Program will follow many of the processes used in the E-Rate program, including competitive bidding, requests for eligible service and equipment, and a reimbursement process.

The FCC and USAC will offer robust training to help interested parties navigate the Pilot Program's selection and application process. Further training will also be provided to program participants regarding the Pilot Program's competitive bidding, funding application, and reimbursement processes.

To learn more about the Pilot Program, visit www.usac.org/e-rate/cyber-security-pilot-program.





