



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
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School / District name: _____

School / District address: _____ | City _____ | Zip code _____

Your name & title: _____

E-mail address: _____

School tel:..... and cell phone:

Bandwidth Upgrade
DUE September 25, 2009

Increasing your line capacity is entirely optional and should be done at the discretion of the school's network administrator.

- Reflecting the goals outlined in the school's Technology Plan, please indicate how much bandwidth (line capacity) will be required to provide your school with adequate functionality.
Keep in mind that with an increase in the amount of Internet connected devices, there must be an equal increase in bandwidth to maintain a specific level of performance.
If demand outweighs funding, RIDE will ensure that a minimum amount of bandwidth will be allocated to all schools based upon their needs according to their respective technology plans.
It is possible to opt out of the E-Rate program, however by doing so a school forfeits all of its technology subsidies from the State of Rhode Island's RITEAF program.
If RIDE believes that a school, district, or library will not be able to demonstrate the existence of a Technology Plan for the upcoming program year that meets the guidelines provided by the USDOE or SLD, RIDE will refuse to list such school, district or library in its E-RATE applications, and deny free line services to such school, district or library.

The underlying lines that serve your district are managed by RINET, the state's K12 network. They can help you check on the capacity of the underlying telecommunications lines that you have been awarded by the RITEAF program. These lines are provided by RIDE under the RITEAF program. They may or may not be the same size as the INTERNET ACCESS you purchase. Please get help from RINET to distinguish between your line capacity and Internet Access.

Indicate here what the school/district total current INETERNET ACCESS bandwidth is: _____ Kbps / Mbps
Indicate here what INTERNET ACCESS you would like to acquire for next JULY: _____ Kbps / Mbps

Do you know your current LINE CAPACITY from the previous year's RITEAF AWARDS? If you want higher capacity. . . .
Attach a listing of all district schools and their individual bandwidths and desired upgrades
. . . . a spreadsheet showing line capacity desired at each school should be attached.
. . . or You may attach a map or outline of your network to this form in order to better illustrate your upgrade needs.

Please be sure to include ALL schools and administrative locations where you desire service. Check to verify their eligibility and also be sure to add them to the SLD's database of school sites in your district. Call the SLD help desk.