FAMILY CONNECTIVITY 2022 Important Links



Beginning July 1, 2022, WCPS will no longer distribute hotspots to students and staff. Since the Fall of 2021, several subsidy programs have been created by the Federal Government and Maryland-Governor Hogan to assist qualifying families as they acquire their own home internet services. The following is a list of important internet links to connect families to those resources. Please direct all questions to the vendors listed, government agency, or your community agency.

USAC AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY BENEFIT - ACP (REPLACES FEDERAL EBB)

Use this link to learn how to get a \$30 deduction on your home internet service. **Link:** https://acpbenefit.org/



MARYLAND STATE GOVERNMENT - MD EBB (MARYLAND'S EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT)

MD Office of Statewide Broadband (maryland.gov)

Use this link to learn how to get a \$15 deduction on your home internet service. This is <u>in addition to</u> the Federal reimbursement of \$30

Link: https://dhcd.maryland.gov/Broadband/Pages/Individual-Resources.aspx



COMCAST INTERNET ESSENTIALS

Internet Essentials from Comcast – Recommended for families in the Comcast service area

Use this link to acquire Cable Internet in your home. \$o for Install; \$o for monthly service

Link: https://internetessentials.com/



VERIZON (HOTSPOTS OR HOME DSL)

Affordable Connectivity Program - up to \$30 off Mobile or Home Internet Access | Verizon

Use this link to get the above subsidies (\$30 + \$15) deducted from your Verizon Hotspot bill.

Link: https://vz.to/3ypsYkB



AT&T (HOTSPOTS)

Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) \mid AT&T (att.com) Use this link to get the above subsidies (\$30 + \$15) deducted from your AT&T Hotspot bill.

Link: https://www.att.com/help/acp/



T-MOBILE (HOTSPOTS)

Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) | T-Mobile.com Use this link to get the above subsidies (\$30 + \$15) deducted from your T-Mobile Hotspot bill.

Link: https://t-mo.co/3NetdU6



FREE or low-cost high-speed Internet may be available

If you or someone you know is struggling to provide Internet for school, work, or everyday life, the Federal Affordable Connectivity Program and Maryland Emergency Broadband Benefit Program may be able to help. These government programs now grant qualified households up to \$50 towards monthly Internet bills.

The grant is available to qualified, new and existing customers across several service providers in Wicomico County.

Eligible applicants may include (but are not limited to) individuals who receive SNAP benefits, students who participate in the National School Lunch Program or receive a Pell Grant, individuals on Medicaid, and those on Veteran Pensions. Visit the links above to check eligibility and sign up for the program today.





