Low-Cost Internet (Wi-Fi, Broadband) Options for Students

Emergency Broadband-WiFi Benefits

Students can begin applying and enrolling TODAY for Emergency Broadband Benefit, an FCC program (https://www.fcc.gov/emergency-broadband-benefit-program) which helps families and households (including students) to afford internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible households are able to enroll in the program to receive a monthly discount off the cost of broadband service from an approved internet provider. **Only one monthly service discount and one device discount is allowed per household.**

If your household is eligible, you can receive:

- Up to a $50/month discount on your broadband service and associated equipment rentals
- Up to a $75/month discount if your household is on qualifying Tribal lands
- A one-time discount of up to $100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer (with a co-payment of more than $10 but less than $50)

There are three ways for eligible students/households to apply:

- **Contact your preferred participating broadband provider** directly to learn about their application process (some providers are listed below), and/or
- **Go to GetEmergencyBroadband.org** to apply online and to find participating providers near you, and/or
- **Call 833-511-0311 for a mail-in application** and return it along with copies of documents showing proof of eligibility to: Emergency Broadband Support Center, P.O. Box 7081, London, KY 40742.

Low-Cost Service Providers

As the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) LACCD continues to offer the majority of courses remotely in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic, Internet access will be required for participation in many class activities. Several organizations provide low-cost Internet access to students. As a courtesy, contact information for several providers is provided below for your consideration. LACCD does not endorse, recommend or in any way profit from this information and cannot be held liable for its accuracy or the terms for such services, whether free or charged thereafter. There may be additional low-cost offers from other organizations that may have similar offerings. All faculty, students, staff and the public should make their own informed decision by carefully reading the information on the companies' websites or call them for more details.

Low-Cost Internet Service Providers (Government/Non-Profit)

LA County Hotspot Finder
http://findwifi.lacounty.gov/
Los Angeles County provides a website that locates publicly-available Wi-Fi hotspots, many of which offer free service.

CollegeBuys
https://shop.collegebuys.org/4g-wireless-network-c144.aspx
CollegeBuys is a nonprofit program of the Foundation for California Community Colleges that provides low-cost hardware, software and Internet services to students.

City of Los Angeles/EveryoneOn
https://getconnectedlosangeles.lacity.org/
The City of Los Angeles, the California Emerging Technology Fund and EveryoneOn partner with the FCC to provide low-cost Internet services to qualifying families.

FCC Lifeline Program
https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/lifeline-support-affordable-communications
The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) sponsors a nationwide program called "Lifeline" that partners with commercial phone and Internet providers to provide low-cost services to people who meet their eligibility criteria. Check your eligibility and search for local providers.

Human-I-T
https://www.human-i-t.org/request-internet
Human-I-T is a nonprofit, charitable organization that provides low-cost technology and Internet access to individuals and households with low incomes.

Low-Cost Internet Service Providers (Commercial)

Comcast Internet Essentials
https://www.internetessentials.com/
Comcast provides low-cost Internet Services and low-cost computers for people who meet eligibility criteria.

Spectrum Internet Assist
https://www.spectrum.com/browse/content/spectrum-internet-assist.html
Spectrum provides low-cost Internet Services and low-cost computers for people who participate in a designated Federal assistance program.