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BULLETIN NO. 067-20 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
School District Superintendents
School District Business Managers
School District Technology Directors

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: E-rate Form 479 for Districts on K-20 Network

CONTACT: Dennis Small, Educational Technology Director
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PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide an overview of the form districts on the K-20 Educational Network must complete and return to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) by September 30, 2020, to receive E-rate discounts on their annual K-20 network fee.

OSPI and K-20 apply for E-rate discounts on behalf of all K-12 schools connected to the K-20 network in order to provide these discounts to districts and meet service commitments. Attached for your signature is the **E-rate Form 479**.

E-rate Form 479

Your district must continue to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) to take advantage of the E-rate discount ISP fees. **Form 479 certifies CIPA compliance**. Please **check Item 6a in Block 2**, which verifies CIPA compliance for the **2020 E-rate funding year** (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021) on Form 479.

Frequently-Asked Form 479 Questions

What should I put for these items?

- *Administrative Authority's Form Identifier:* Something you make up (e.g., MyDistrict2020), or leave blank
- *Name of Administrative Authority:* Your district (not your name, but the district's name)
- *Funding Year:* 2020-21

I filed a Form 479 last year; do I need to do it again this year?

Yes, the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) requires a new signed form annually.

K-20 Network Benefits: Zoom Videoconferencing and DDoS Protection

As noted in the Services and Benefits for K–12 Schools described in the attached document, two special benefits should be noted. K-20 Network members can make use of Zoom desktop and mobile device-based videoconferencing solutions at no cost, or purchase Zoom licenses at deeply discounted prices from the K-20 master contract. In addition, K-20 provides a very robust Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) mitigation device as part of the network, which protects member institutions from DDoS attacks, at no additional cost to member districts.

Deadline: September 30, 2020

Complete, sign and return your **E-rate Form 479** to OSPI no later than September 30. The forms must have **original signatures**, but may be scanned and sent as an e-mail attachment.

Send as an attachment with scanned signature to:

Dennis Small, dennis.small@k12.wa.us

Or send via mail to:

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INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

For questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Dennis Small, Educational Technology Director at 253-279-7641 or email dennis.small@k12.wa.us. The OSPI TTY number is 360-664-3631.

This bulletin is also available on the [Bulletins and Memos](#) page of the OSPI website.

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Attachments:

E-rate Form 479
K-20 Network Services & Benefits for K-12 Schools

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