

E-Rate 2020

Our Form 470 has been submitted and we are now in the 28 day waiting period where we entertain some questions from vendors and allow vendors to bid on service needs. It is also being advertised in the Glacier Reporter in the event that things come in over \$80,000 to be in compliance with MCA.

There are two major categories of E-Rate funding and we have applied for monies in both.

Category 1 services include our internet service from 3 Rivers and our building WAN (wide area network) services for high, middle and Babb schools as well as internet for the colony schools. The awarding of Category 1 services is typically a slam dunk. Based on Browning Schools being a 100% free and reduced lunch community we qualify at the 90% reimbursement rate.

Category 2 provides for funding of infrastructure needs such as wireless, switches, firewalls, etc. The broad description of this category is anything required to get internet to the ‘classroom.’ Our application includes replacement of our wireless controller and access points that are at end of life and will no longer be supported under maintenance agreements in another 1-2 years. It will include additional switches needed adding several cameras around the district and some cabling needs. Some of these items will also outfit the middle school classroom and high school “classroom” additions. Items we make submit are reimbursed at the 85% reimbursement rate.

Live Broadcasting Games now happening

The Pixellot camera and equipment is now installed. Gratitude and thanks to the maintenance staff and all involved getting the camera mounted and ready to go. As some background, MHSAs owns the rights to video and streaming rights to MHSAs activities. While we can schedule games to be broadcast, there is an approval process for BPS



to broadcast our games. 1) List of games to MHSAs seeking approval to broadcast games which should be submitted 3-4 weeks prior to the start of the season 2) After approval is received, submitting the approved games to NFHS where NFHS will enter the scheduled games to be broadcast. 3) The district needs to remain vigilant for schedule changes and login to the scheduling system to reschedule games/events that have been changed.

A shoutout also to the crew of Thunder Radio f

There are several games now scheduled for broadcast through the regular basketball season. Accessing the games does require a subscription to the NFHS network web site which runs \$10.99 per month or \$69.99 for the year.



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