

# Schools and Libraries Program News Brief

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**TIP OF THE WEEK: We still have space available for all remaining fall applicant training sessions.** If you are interested in attending a session or need more information, you can refer to the <a href="2019 Training">2019 Training</a> page. Once you have chosen a session, you can click the blue <a href="Register Here">Register Here</a> button to register.

#### **Commitments for Funding Year 2019**

**Funding Year 2019.** USAC released FY2019 Wave 27 Funding Commitment Decision Letters (FCDLs) on October 3. As of October 4, FY2019 commitments total over \$1.8 billion.

On the date that FCDLs are issued, you can access your FCDL notification from the **Notifications** section of your landing page in the E-rate Productivity Center (EPC).

#### **USAC Seeks IT Enhancement Feedback**

The <u>Share Your E-rate Technical System Ideas</u> page continues to be available for program participants to submit their ideas and feedback for improving and/or enhancing Schools and Libraries information systems.

We may ask you for additional information about any suggestions you submit to us. However, if you do not wish to be contacted by USAC, simply notify us by email.

If you have specific inquiries or requests for assistance, please create a customer service case in EPC or call Client Service Bureau at 888-203-8100.

## Additional Information and an Opportunity to Comment on the FCC Form 470 Drop-down Options for Category One Services

On October 1, the FCC issued guidance in the form of a letter to USAC (<u>DA 19-985</u>) on how to treat Erate applications for which the applicant mistakenly selected a drop-down menu option on its FCC Form 470 that did not fully reflect the services for which it intended to seek bids. On the same day, the FCC also issued a Public Notice (<u>DA 19-986</u>) seeking comment on improving the FCC Form 470 drop-down menu options to alleviate ongoing confusion.

Comments on the Public Notice are due on or before October 31, 2019. Reply comments are due on or before November 15, 2019. For information on how to submit comments and reply comments, you can refer to the Public Notice.

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