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Dear Richland One Parents,

Now more than ever, it is critical that students have internet access not just at school, but also at home. That's what makes the Federal Communications Commission's new Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) so exciting.

Richland One is a Community Eligibility Provision district, which means ALL of our students qualify to eat school meals at no cost regardless of their household income. That also means all of our students qualify for the ACP!

Through the program, families can receive a discount of up to \$30 per month for internet service through participating providers. Since some providers have internet service plans as low as \$30 a month or less, your internet service could be free with the ACP discount.

Here's what you need to do to sign up:

STEP 1: Go to AffordableConnectivity.gov to submit an application or print a mail-in application.

STEP 2: Contact your preferred participating internet service provider to select an eligible plan and have the discount applied to your bill. For a list of participating internet service providers, go to fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers. (Note: You must submit an application and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.)

STEP 3: When requested, provide the internet service provider with the enclosed letter from your school's principal certifying that your child attends a CEP district school.

We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to get affordable internet service. If you have any questions about the program or if you need assistance, call the ACP Support Center at 877-384-2575 or go to fcc.gov/acp. Information is also posted on our website (richlandone.org).

Sincerely,

Craig Witherspoon, Ed.D.
Superintendent