

National PTA Resource Document Addressing Internet and Device Access

1. Equip families with the knowledge of what is available to them to access the internet at home.

Many service providers have updated their low-cost internet offers (several are free for the next couple of months!). EveryoneOn is a nonprofit partner of National PTA who specializes in helping to increase internet accessibility for families across the country. Enter your zip code into their [website](#) to identify the offers in your area (no identifying information needed!). Contact your school librarian and town librarian to add the supports that they are offering in the community to your list. Create and print a flyer to share at school distribution sites. Also consider sending an email to essential businesses in your community to ask if they will post or distribute to customers, if able.

Who to consult: PTA Board, school administration, school librarian, local library, local businesses

2. Provide families with the tools they need to access the internet at home.

Partner with the appropriate school resource staff to purchase and help organize the distribution of WiFi hotspots to families without internet connections in your community.

Who to consult: PTA Board, school counselors, family engagement coordinator

3. Ensure that families have enough devices for all members of their family.

Organize a remote device drive to collect used devices and use your funds to have them sanitized and set-up with the appropriate school applications before distributing to families in need. Partner with your school technologist, media specialist or librarian to ensure everything is set-up correctly.

Who to consult: PTA Board, school administration, school counselors, family engagement coordinator

Addressing Internet and Device Access Resources

National PTA [Website](#) COVID-19 Resources

What if I do not have internet access in my home?

- [COVID-19 Resources for Families](#)
- [FCC's E-Rate Funding](#)
- [Closing the Homework Gap](#)
- [Affordable Internet Service Programs](#)

Additional Resources

- [How to prepare school Apple devices for at home use](#)
- [Teach from home Tech Step by Step Set-up](#)
- [Remote Teaching and Learning in Office 365 Education](#)
- [Everyone On](#)
- [American Association of School Librarians Weekly Town Hall and Recordings](#)
- [Building Resilient Schools for Next School Year – Secondary Education Technology Directors Association \(SETDA\)](#)

Success Story

- [Louisville mother collecting tech devices for students learning outside the classroom](#)
- [Glendale Public School students pick-up loaner Chromebooks for at home study](#)