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## SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES CYBERSECURITY PILOT PROGRAM WEBINAR

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On Tuesday, July 23 starting at 2 p.m. EDT, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), along with the U.S. Department of Education, will host a virtual webinar to provide additional information about the Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program (Pilot Program), as well as information on other federal cybersecurity resources available to schools and libraries.

On June 6, 2024, the FCC adopted the Pilot Program which will provide \$200 million over a three-year period to selected participants to defray the costs of eligible cybersecurity services and equipment. Modeled after the FCC's Connected Care Pilot, the Pilot Program will allow the FCC to collect data and evaluate the effectiveness of using universal service funds to support cybersecurity services and equipment to protect school and library broadband networks and data, and share lessons learned with our federal partners to jointly combat this growing problem.

The webinar will provide an overview of the Pilot Program and address frequently asked questions regarding program requirements and the FCC Form 484 application process to be selected as a participant. The U.S. Department of Education will also highlight its efforts to promote cybersecurity readiness in K-12 schools, including the availability of a variety of its cybersecurity resources and tools. Interested parties may register to participate in the webinar by clicking on the registration link <a href="here">here</a>. The webinar will be recorded and will be made available on the FCC's website.

Questions may be submitted prior to the webinar by sending an email to <a href="CyberPilot@fcc.gov">CyberPilot@fcc.gov</a>. Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way for FCC staff to contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Last minute requests will be accepted but it may not be possible to accommodate the request.

For further information about the webinar, contact Tiffany Purvis at <u>tiffany.purvis@fcc.gov</u> or email <u>CyberPilot@fcc.gov</u>. Visit <u>https://www.fcc.gov/cybersecurity-pilot-program</u> to learn more about the Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program.