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Watauga County School District

BILLED ENTITY 127047 · NORTH CAROLINA · FUNDING REPORT FY1998–2025

175 Pioneer Trail, Boone, NC 28607 · 4,735 students · 1,717 NSLP students

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Overview

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Total E-Rate Subsidies	$69K	$237K	$448K	$59K	$75K	$124K	$84K	$118K	$229K	$439K	$163K	$179K	$180K	$185K	$179K	$178K
Average Discount Rate	70%	70%	70%	60%	60%	60%	70%	70%	67%	54%	57%	71%	70%	71%	70%	70%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	–	–	–	–	–	–
Service Providers	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	3	2	4	2	3	3	3	3	3
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	–	–	–	–	–	–
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	–	–	–	–	–	–

Subsidies by E-Rate Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$885	$6K	$11K	–	–	–	–	–
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$152K	$22K	$25K	$26K	$23K	$22K
Internal Connections	–	$168K	$379K	–	$16K	$65K	$15K	$50K	$159K	$250K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	$69K	$69K	$69K	$59K	$59K	$59K	$69K	$69K	$69K	$152K	–	$157K	$155K	$159K	$156K	$156K
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$31K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Broadband Category 1	$69K	$69K	$69K	$59K	$59K	$59K	$69K	$69K	$70K	$158K	$163K	$179K	$180K	$185K	$179K	$178K
Equipment Category 2	–	$168K	$379K	–	$16K	$65K	$15K	$50K	$159K	$281K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	$69K	$237K	$448K	$59K	$75K	$124K	$84K	$118K	$229K	$439K	$163K	$179K	$180K	$185K	$179K	$178K

Category one services include telecommunications, telecommunications services and Internet access. Category two services include internal connections, basic maintenance of internal connections and managed internal broadband services.

Subsidies by E-Rate Service Provider (top 10, FY2024)

Service Provider	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Encore Technology Group Llc	–	$168K	$379K	–	–	–	–	–	–	$31K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation	$69K	$69K	$69K	$59K	$59K	$59K	$69K	$69K	$70K	$155K	$157K	$156K	$155K	$157K	$156K	$156K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Immixgroup Inc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$35K	–	$250K	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cnic, Inc.	–	–	–	–	$16K	$65K	$15K	$15K	$159K	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
North Carolina Dept. Of Commerce, St. Info. Processing Svcs.	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Verizon Wireless	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$3K	$6K	$16K	$18K	$20K	$16K	$16K
Edline, Llc	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	$7K	$7K	$7K	$7K	$7K

Recipient Demographics (latest profile)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Bethel Elementary School	138 Bethel School Rd 28679	Sugar Grove	70%	115	63	55%	Rural
Blowing Rock Elementary School	165 Morris St 28605	Blowing Rock	70%	414	79	19%	Rural

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Recipient Demographics (latest profile) (continued)

Recipient	Address	City	Discount Rate	Students	NSLP	NSLP %	Urban/Rural
Cove Creek Elementary School	930 Vanderpool Rd 28692	Vilas	70%	265	112	42%	Rural
Green Valley Elementary School	189 Big Hill Rd 28607	Boone	70%	278	173	62%	Rural
Hardin Park Elementary School	361 Jefferson Rd 28607	Boone	70%	912	342	38%	Urban
Mabel Elementary School	404 Mabel School Rd 28698	Zionville	70%	146	96	66%	Rural
Parkway Elementary School	160 Parkway School Dr 28607	Boone	70%	601	219	36%	Rural
Valle Crucis Elementary School	2998 Broadstone Rd 28679	Sugar Grove	70%	361	133	37%	Rural
Watauga High School	300 Go Pioneers Dr 28607	Boone	70%	1,643	500	30%	Urban

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Overview (FY1998–2009)

	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Total E-Rate Subsidies	$137K	$132K	$86K	$60K	—	$82K	$82K	$57K	$24K	$38K	—	$50K
Average Discount Rate	66%	67%	64%	60%	—	61%	60%	60%	63%	64%	63%	64%
Schools & Libraries (in this area)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service Providers	4	3	2	1	—	3	3	2	2	5	5	6
Avg Download Speed (Mbps)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Avg Upload Speed (Mbps)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Subsidies by E-Rate Service Type (FY1998–2009)

Service Type	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Telecomm Services	$13K	—	—	—	—	$9K	$9K	$18K	—	$25K	—	$29K
Internal Connections	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	$123K	$132K	$86K	$60K	—	$72K	$73K	$39K	$24K	$14K	—	$21K
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Managed Internal Broadband Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Broadband Category 1	$137K	$132K	$86K	$60K	—	$82K	$82K	$57K	$24K	$38K	—	$50K
Equipment Category 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	$137K	$132K	$86K	$60K	—	$82K	$82K	$57K	$24K	$38K	—	$50K

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Subsidies by E-Rate Service Provider (FY1998–2009)

Service Provider	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
Encore Technology Group Llc	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation	$64K	$36K	$17K	—	—	$7K	$7K	—	—	$9K	—	$11K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc.	$58K	$96K	$70K	$60K	—	$31K	$31K	$18K	—	$14K	—	$19K
Immixgroup Inc	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cnic, Inc.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North Carolina Dept. Of Commerce, St. Info. Processing Svcs.	—	—	—	—	—	$44K	$44K	$39K	$24K	$14K	—	$11K
Verizon Wireless	$8K	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Edline, Llc	$6K	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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