

Oklahoma Connect & Learn Initiative

E-Rate/OUSF Update



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Agenda

Discussion Topics

Introductions

Oklahoma Connect & Learn Initiative

Open Range

OUSF

Funds for Learning

Discussion/ Overview

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Oklahoma Connect & Learn Initiative

K-12 BROADBAND

The Team



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Why Broadband Speeds Matter

- Digital learning has the power to dramatically transform K-12 education in the state of Oklahoma:
 - Personalized, Student-Centered Learning
 - Preparing students for the tech enabled workforce they will enter.
 - More cost effective & efficient.
- Adequate broadband connections are the foundation on which all digital learning is built.

The Objectives



Fiber to Every School

Only 78% of Oklahoma schools have fiber based connections



All Districts Meet 2018 Bandwidth Standard

Only 3% of Oklahoma Districts meet the SETDA 2018 1 Mbps* per student bandwidth standard



Wi-Fi in every classroom

Only 66% of Oklahoma districts used their E-Rate budget for Wi-Fi access



Make Broadband Affordable

Only 3% of Oklahoma schools pay less than \$3 per Mbps for their broadband connections



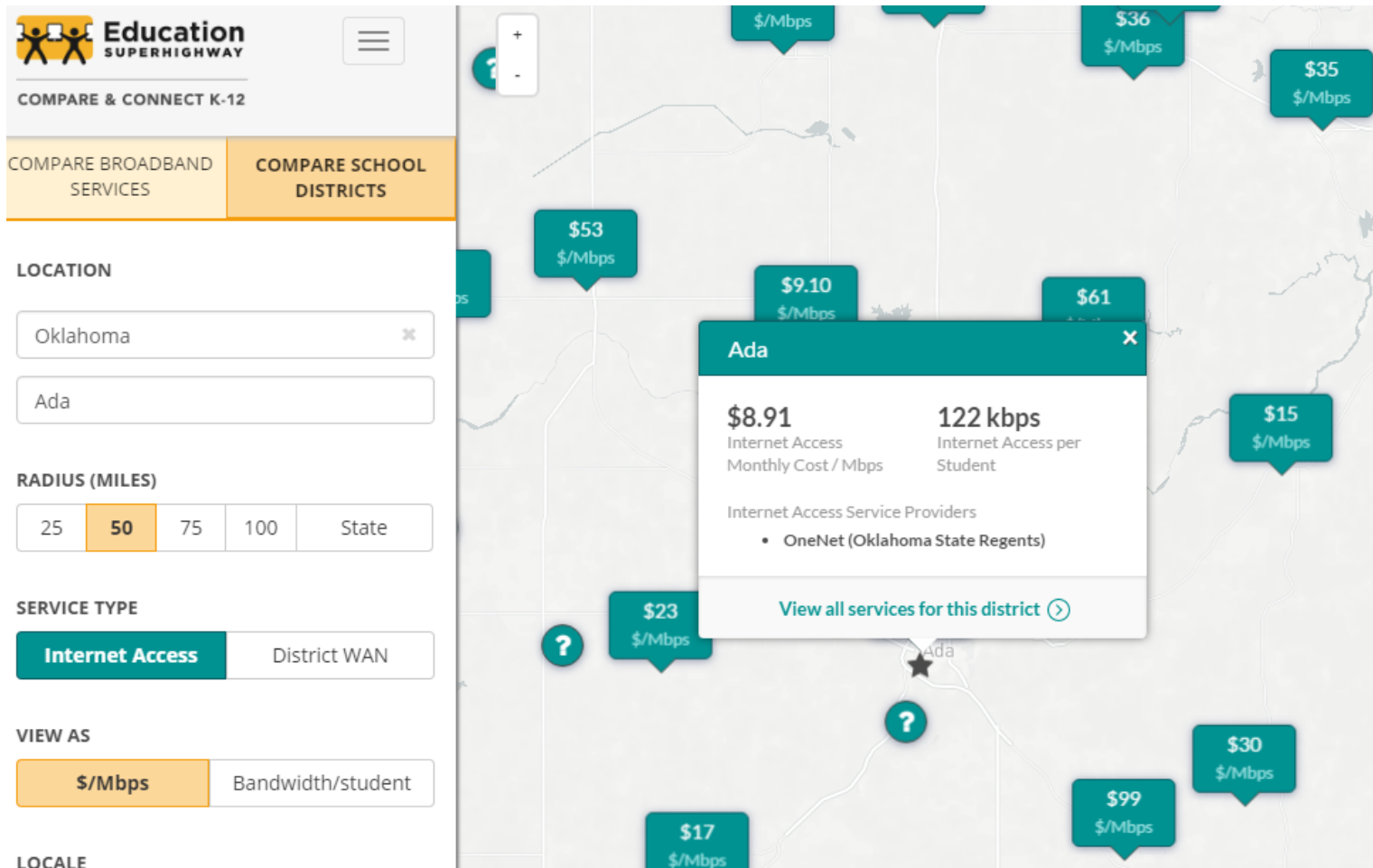
Federal E-Rate Program Changes

- Historic opportunity to fund fiber builds for schools:
 - We only have 18 months.
 - Requires a 15% match.
- \$150 per student for Wi-Fi network buildouts (Category 2).
- Pays up to 90% for broadband connections and technology needs

The Path Ahead

- ▶ This is a **voluntary** program.
- ▶ Districts are prioritized based on current technology.
- ▶ Meeting one objective makes the other objectives possible – i.e. getting a school fiber is necessary to meet bandwidth standard, which is needed for wireless and higher bandwidth brings cost per Mbps down.

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