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Hello Remote Learning Families of the Poplar Schools,

We have been notified by NEMONT that the program under which you are receiving internet connection services in your home will end on June 15, 2021. The \$25 per month charge, which the district has been paying, will no longer be in effect or will be paid by the district. However, there is a nice change to internet connection which you will be able to take advantage of going forward throughout the summer.

The *Emergency Broadband Benefit* is a pandemic specific FCC program designed to help households receive broadband internet services. This new program will replace the current connection to internet and take the school out of the picture as well. Families will need to sign up for the EBB and contact NEMONT to utilize this service. No sunset date has been established for this program so it should be available for at least the next 18-24 months.

In order to establish the connection to the EBB program, all families will need to transition from the current *Distance Learning Assistance* program by applying through this link: [EBB](#) (click on EBB or type in the address below in a browser) ([https://www.checklifeline.org/lifeline/?id=nv\\_flow&ebbp=true&utm\\_source=website&utm\\_medium=facebook&utm\\_campaign=broadband\\_assistance](https://www.checklifeline.org/lifeline/?id=nv_flow&ebbp=true&utm_source=website&utm_medium=facebook&utm_campaign=broadband_assistance)) or got to [www.nemont.com](http://www.nemont.com), select *Customer Center- Emergency Broadband Benefit*. The *Apply Now* button is at the bottom of the page.

As for the equipment supplied by NEMONT throughout this past year that is in your home, you will have the choice to upgrade or maintain your internet service at the same speed you are currently receiving. **It is extremely important you apply for the EBB.** The Poplar Schools will no longer be paying for your internet connection due to this new program through the FCC.

We hope you have benefited from receiving internet services through NEMONT in conjunction with your enrollment in the Poplar Schools. **There will not be an online option for students enrolled in the Poplar Schools next year for the 2021-2022 school year.** All students must attend in person at the school building in which they are enrolled. Thank you for attending and making it through this past school year.

Best Regards,

  
Dan Schmidt  
Superintendent

The purpose of the Poplar Schools is to develop productive citizens.

