

# New York State School Technology Voucher Program

Mohawk Regional Information's Center Summary of NYSED Information



NYS-STVP

## General Information

Nearly \$87 million in technology vouchers will be made available to eligible schools for purchases made from September 1, 2012 to November 1, 2014.

## Accessing Detailed Information

Districts can access more extensive information on NYSED's website: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/technology/programs/techvouchers.html>

## Eligibility Criteria

Have at least 50 percent or more of students enrolled in the Free or Reduced-Price Lunch Program (FRPL) for the year of 2011-12.

## Districts with Eligible Schools

Adirondack	Ilion	Oppenheim-Ephratah	Utica
Brookfield	Indian River	Owen D Young	Vernon-Verona-Sherrill
Camden	Little Falls	Richfield Springs	Watertown
Canastota	Mohawk	Rome	
Carthage	Morrisville-Eaton	South Jefferson	
Dolgeville	Oneida	South Lewis	

## Application Pre-Requisite Requirements

- Identify a point-of-contact with NYSED for the Technology Readiness Tool.
- Complete the TRT for requested eligible schools.
- Develop an implementation plan for getting the requested eligible schools ready for CBT and a technology-rich learning environment. This plan should be based on data collected and entered into the TRT.
- Demonstrate the priority use of the funds towards CBT readiness in planned purchases of products and services.

## Application & Reimbursement Process

The Settlement Claims Administrator (Rust Consulting), in collaboration with NYSED, will set up an online voucher claim system where a school district coordinator will submit voucher applications and purchase requests on behalf of eligible schools within the district. The NYS-STVP online voucher claim system is under development and is anticipated to be ready for operation in April 2013.

Completed applications will be reviewed by NYSED. Once approved by NYSED, the Settlement Claims Administrator (SCA), Rust Consulting, will review applications and pending approval will issue vouchers to applicants. It is important that eligible schools refer to the NYS-STVP Voucher Eligible Use Categories and permissible product/service list to determine appropriate use of vouchers for reimbursement and make sure that specific requests in their applications are approved by NYSED and the SCA before they initiate an actual purchase.

## Vouchers Eligible Use Categories

Vouchers will be issued in two categories: 1) General Purpose and 2) Specific Category Software. The vouchers must be used towards achieving the goal of technology readiness for CBT. If a specific school has accomplished that goal and demonstrated that it is technology-ready for CBT, then the vouchers allotted to the school may be used to address other areas of technology needs.

### General Purpose

- Any laptop, desktop, or tablet
- Peripheral devices (e.g., printers, monitors, keyboards, interactive whiteboards, LCD projectors)
- Equipment needed for networking and infrastructure (e.g., routers, servers, wireless access points)
- Hardware for accessing the Internet through television sets and Internet access for such hardware for students' homes
- Non-custom assistive technology devices
- Any non-custom software titles that are designed for use on qualifying hardware
- Hardware warranties
- Tax and shipping costs
- Evaluation tools to assist participating schools in monitoring use of voucher funds
- Services that primarily involve the installation and maintenance of hardware and software procured through this Settlement
- Professional development services directed at leadership development for school administrators in the use of education technology to improve learning
- Professional development services directed at general curriculum development and instructional strategies which utilize educational technology to improve instruction
- Professional development services directed at the improvement of technology integration for any software acquired through this Settlement
- Training in the use of any hardware or software title acquired through this Settlement
- Certification training for software and networking

### Specific Category Software

- Operating system
- Productivity Applications (Word processing, Spreadsheet, Presentation, Database Oriented)
- Web-authoring
- Productivity and/or Productivity Suite
- Encyclopedia
- Server, including client access licenses
- Eligible software bundled with a computer purchased with the General Purpose Vouchers
- Eligible schools may also select a license program that gives students the option to use the software at home
- Tax and shipping costs on eligible products