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Dear County and District Superintendents and Charter School Administrators:

## **Get Connected! California/Affordable Connectivity Program**

As schools open up, all school districts and county offices of education are invited to participate in the *Get Connected!* Initiative. *Get Connected!* promotes the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides a monthly discount of up to \$30 off home internet to qualifying families of prekindergarten to adult students.

Saturday, August 27 is the first *Get Connected!* Day in California. Schools are invited to host enrollment events throughout the state. These enrollment events will support eligible families interested in applying for the ACP; answer questions about the ACP benefit; and provide hands-on assistance with the application. Families will be encouraged to bring the required documents to apply.

A toolkit, which can be found on the California Emerging Technology Fund Dropbox web page at <https://bit.ly/GetConnectedCAK12>, has been developed for schools to use going forward. The toolkit includes:

- Messaging
- Applications (in multiple languages) to distribute via paper or electronic means
- Eligibility Verification Template

To participate in an enrollment event and share how you can contribute to a successful *Get Connected!* month and day, please visit the Get Connected California! Sign Up Google document at <https://forms.gle/k6YiHeH8Suwhvxy97>. For more information on ACP, please visit the Internet for All Now Sign Up for ACP Today web page at <https://www.internetforallnow.org/applytoday>.

If you have any questions regarding this subject, please contact Geoff Belleau, Education Administrator, Office of the Deputy Superintendent, Information and Technology Branch, at [gbelleau@cde.ca.gov](mailto:gbelleau@cde.ca.gov) or at 916-319-0847.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Thurmond".

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