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## Enable safer learning environments by applying FCC grant funds to identity and access security solutions.

K-12 schools across the U.S. are under growing pressure: nearly 82% of schools experienced a cyber incident<sup>1</sup> between July 2023 and December 2024 alone. Aging infrastructure, limited IT staff, and increasingly sophisticated threats (from unauthorized access, credential abuse, ransomware, etc.) mean that student data, staff credentials, and mission-critical systems are often exposed. The FCC's new [Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program](#) seeks to address these risks, funding identity protection, advanced authentication, endpoint monitoring, and remote access security.

Schools that receive FCC grant funding face a critical job to be done: secure their systems and ensure only trusted users can access sensitive data, while also maintaining compliance, minimizing risk, and supporting remote support as needed. BeyondTrust provides a modern identity security platform—built to illuminate the attack pathways of identities that threat actors seek, enforce least privilege, safeguard credentials, and deliver robust access controls. These tools align directly with the Pilot's goals of identity protection and authentication, endpoint security and monitoring, secure remote access, and zero trust compliance.

<sup>1</sup>82% of K-12 schools recently experienced a cyber incident. K-12 Dive. March 2025.

## Key Outcomes

### Protect Sensitive Student & Staff Data

Prevent unauthorized access by enforcing least privilege and securing credentials across all devices and systems. BeyondTrust reduces the risk of data breaches by ensuring only trusted users can reach sensitive applications, records, and infrastructure.

### Mitigate Ransomware & Credential Attacks

Stop one of the most common threats facing K-12 institutions by securing privileged accounts, rotating passwords, and hardening endpoints. BeyondTrust solutions limit attack pathways and minimize the blast radius of compromised credentials.

### Enable Secure Remote Support & Access

Support IT staff, third-party vendors, and administrators with tightly controlled remote access. Privileged Remote Access and Remote Support allow schools to manage and troubleshoot systems efficiently—without sacrificing security, productivity, or oversight.

### Simplify Compliance & Strengthen Zero Trust

Gain visibility into privileged activity with centralized auditing and reporting. BeyondTrust helps schools align with the FCC program requirements, improve cyber insurance readiness, and accelerate the adoption of zero trust principles.

## Client Success Stories

"The biggest thing that BeyondTrust enables for our team is the ability to connect any individual—whether it be a researcher or vendor—to any particular product at any time, through one system, and still enforce all of the security requirements that the university, state, and federal government have."

— Michael E. Fox, Senior Associate Director, TEXAS A&M

"With Privileged Remote Access, Password Safe, and Remote Support, we've ensured privileges aren't left unchecked, preventing users from becoming entry points for attacks."

—Mike Weiss, Information Technology Director, City of Midlothian

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