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Wicked Fast Internet for Marion W Cross Elementary School and Thetford Academy

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Marion Cross Elementary in Norwich and Thetford Academy are now among the 15 schools and libraries within the East Central Vermont Telecommunications District (ECFiber) provisioned with Wicked Fast Internet (400 Mbps symmetrical service). ECFiber provides its highest bandwidth to schools, libraries, and public institutions for the cost of basic residential service.

For example, Marion Cross now has 33% more bandwidth than Hanover High, Richmond School, and the Ray School combined, at 1/10 of the cost! Since connecting to ECFiber in 2014, Thetford Academy has dramatically increased their access, (now at 400 Mbps) and decreased their costs from \$1,500/month to less than \$100/month. For all educational institutions, this difference is better spent on delivering a high quality education to Vermont children.

Wicked Fast internet allows schools and libraries to offer educational materials and content from across the globe, and its very high bandwidth can easily run multiple streams in multiple classrooms. Schools required to do online testing will now be testing the full performance of their students, not the performance of their internet connections.

Together with the highest possible speed and capacity, a fiber-optic network connection also offers the reliability and stability that are essential for businesses and anyone else needing “always on” internet presence.

ECFiber is a Communications Union District of 24 towns in East-Central Vermont. The District was created to build a community-owned fiber-optic network to deliver high-speed Internet to every home, business, or civic institution in our territory. ECFiber offers full-strength broadband: symmetrical internet access (same upload as download,) and speed levels as high as 400 Mbps unaffected by time of day or weather - as well as phone service with unlimited USA and Canada long distance calling.

For more information, please visit <http://www.ecfiber.net/> or email us at [press@ecfiber.net](mailto:press@ecfiber.net).

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