

Community Connectivity Consortium (C3) Pilot Project Report and Update on Digital Equity Efforts - Digital Equity Pilot with Dimmit Middle School

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Update on Report Stimulus – C3 Proviso Report

This is an update to King County Ordinance 18295, Section 2 requesting the executive undertake one or more pilot projects to use the C3 [fiber optic network around Lake Washington] to expand access to high-speed broadband service within the unincorporated areas of King County that have been underserved by high-speed digital technology.

Criteria for School Participation (used KC ESJ, WA Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and federal broadband data)

- Greater than 50 percent of Schools students populations receives free and reduced priced lunch
- Communities have limited communications infrastructure (Internet at home, fiber, cellular coverage)
- Areas where families earn less than \$50,000 per year or where annual household median income is less than \$50,000 per year (i.e. 200 percent of the U.S. poverty level)
- Schools are within the targeted communities of Best Start for Kids, Community of Opportunities (OCC), Youth Action Plan programs and County's ESJ
- The above criteria aligns with directions in King County Ordinance 18295, Section 2

Dimmitt Middle School – Selection based on above criteria and alignment with their 1:1 laptop program

Dimmitt Middle School Student Pilot Status

Test new Verizon LTE service capability for;

- Mobile user
- Fixed user
- Fail-over use



Renton School District Agreed to participate

- Selected Dimmitt MS
- Up to 301 students
- Use I-Net and C3 assets



Initial Implementation – Renton School District’s new 1:1 laptop program provides students in 8th grade with a new laptop for access to school assignments, homework online and other school resources. District conducted surveys of student at Dimmitt shows up to 25% of students don’t have internet at home.

Implementation Planning during Summer Break

- School purchasing laptops
- Complete testing of connections w/school laptops
- After successful test, activate devices & data plans
- School roll out laptops for start of school year



Q4-2016

Q1-2017

Q3-2017

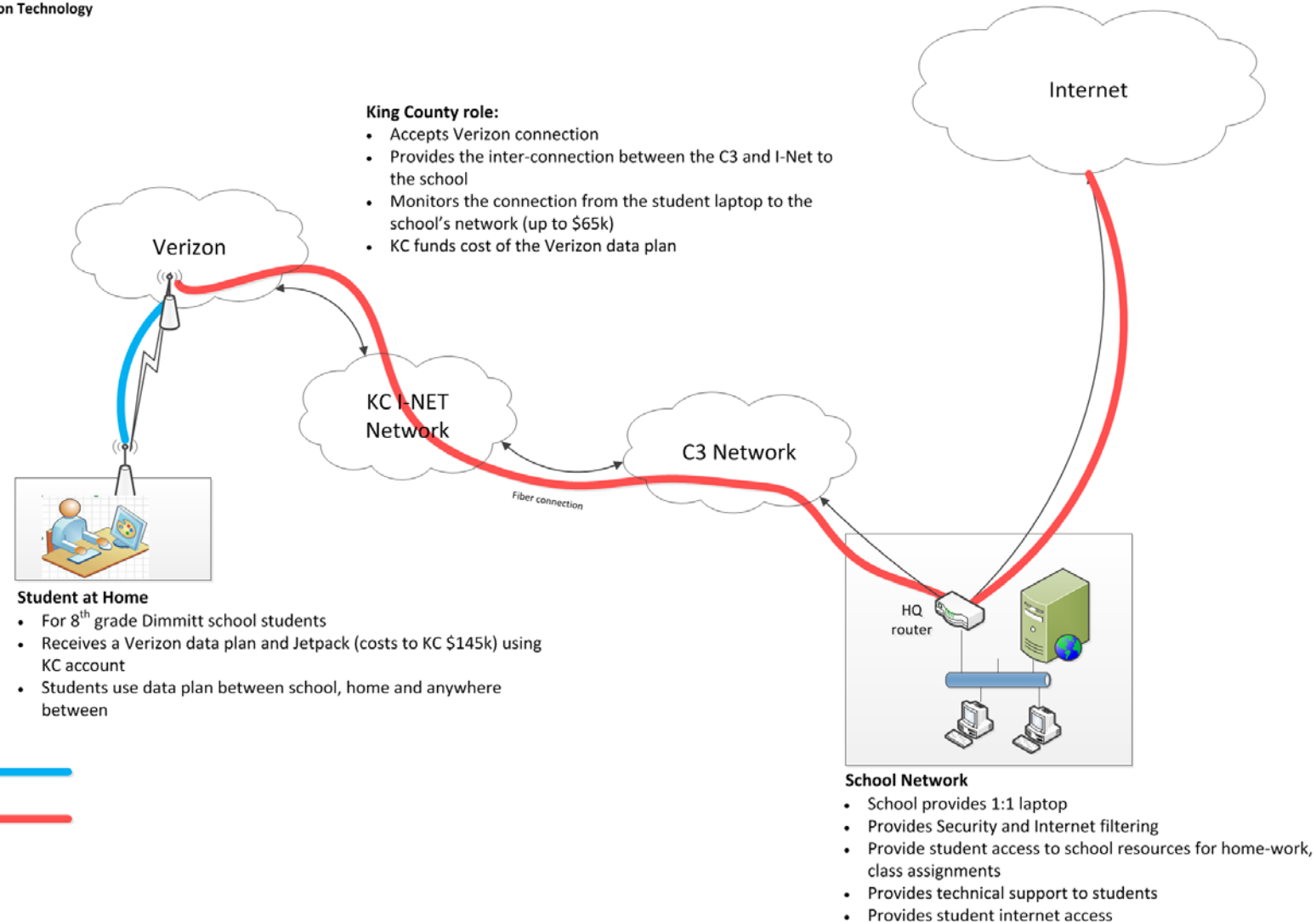
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LTE Network, I-Net , Dimmitt, C3 Partnership



- School District uses its own internet services to connect students to the Internet



Equity Benefits

By implementing our program students will not be limited to just using the laptop at school via Wi-Fi but, have always-on accessibility to the Internet at home using INET/C3/RSD networks.

Reduce wireless access and services costs for students and school district.

School district will provide school performance data for students participating in this project.

Address inequities and broadband access for the Skyway community for 301 8th grade students at Dimmitt Middle School.

This effort aligns to target areas of Best Start for Kids and Equity & Social Justice initiatives.

Results of the initial implementation will provide operational insights, best practice scalability lessons.

