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## Statement on E-Rate 10-Year Anniversary Report

*“E-Rate: 10 Years of Connecting Kids and Community”*

**CHICAGO (February 27, 2007)** – The E-Rate has been a vital tool for supporting parent participation in schools. Through E-Rate-supported connectivity, parents are able to see their children’s grades, track their student’s progress, and communicate on a regular basis with teachers.

E-Rate funding is also a critical component of helping school districts to meet to NCLB requirements to provide parents and the public with report cards on the progress of the district and its individual schools.

### **About PTA**

PTA comprises nearly 6 million parents and other concerned adults devoted to the educational success of children and the promotion of parent involvement in schools. PTA is a registered 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that prides itself on being a powerful voice for children, a relevant resource for parents, and a strong advocate for public education. Membership in PTA is open to anyone who is concerned with the education, health, and welfare of children and youth.