Docket No. 26-10-02 Berlin Board of Education

I. Applicant Information

1. Organization Name: Berlin Board of Education
2. Mailing Address: 238 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037
3. Employer Identification Number: 06-6001580
4. Contact Person for Service List ***(required)*** ☑ ***(check if new/updated)***

   Name: Ashley Dorsey

   Mailing Address: 238 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037

   Phone Number: 860-828-6581

   Email Address: adorsey@berlinschools.org
5. Additional Contact Person for Service List ***(optional)*** ☑ ***(check if new/updated)***

   Name: Gregory Kahn

   Mailing Address: 238 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037

   Phone Number: 860-829-6797

   Email Address: gkahn@berlinschools.org
6. Authorized Representative ***(required)***

   Note: The authorized representative will not be on the service list unless also listed as a contact person, above.

   Name: Ashley Dorsey

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   Phone Number: 860-828-6581

   Email Address: adorsey@berlinschools.org
7. Purpose of Grant (check one):

   ☐ PEG Grant (capital and equipment for producing/procuring programming)

   ☑ ETI Grant (educational technology initiative)
8. Amount Requested: $ $ 29,058.00

   Note: The "Amount Requested" will autocalculate upon completion of the Itemized Budget, below.

II. Applicant Eligibility

9. Organization Type (check one):

PEG (Programming)

☐ Local community antenna television and video advisory council

☐ State-wide video advisory council

☐ Public, educational and governmental programmer

☐ Public, educational and governmental studio operator

ETI (Educational Technology Initiative)

☑ Board of Education

☐ Public library

☐ Other education entity: _____

10. Which of the following describes your organization?

☐ Connecticut State Agency

☑ Municipality

☐ Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Provide Secretary of the State No.: _____

☐ Other (e.g., LLC or corporation). Provide Secretary of the State No.: _____

11. For each of the PEGPETIA Grant cycles below, indicate whether your organization received a grant and submitted all required compliance filings:

Docket No.	Grant Received?	Date of Compliance Filing		
		Order No. 2	Order No. 3	Order No. 4
24-10-02	☐ Yes ☑ No			
23-10-02	☐ Yes ☑ No			
22-10-02	☐ Yes ☑ No			
21-10-13	☐ Yes ☑ No			

Note: If you have received a grant in any of the dockets listed above, you must submit any outstanding compliance filings prior to submitting this application.

III. Investment or Initiative Eligibility

12. Provide a description of proposed capital and equipment investment or education technology initiative. State expected enhancements to PEG programming or education technology. If applicable, state why similar equipment is not available from the local community access studio (PEG only).

Berlin Public Schools is requesting $29,058.00 to replace 12 classroom projectors at Berlin High School with Interactive ultra-short-throw projector systems, each paired with a new whiteboard surface, wall mount, and touch module. The 12 targeted rooms contain projectors 12-13 years old, the oldest instructional display equipment in the District. These units have degraded to the point that teachers routinely turn off classroom lights for students to see the screen, which limits note-taking, collaborative work, and student engagement for the duration of each lesson.

The quoted projector delivers 4100 lumens with full lights-on visibility, finger- and pen-based interactivity, and wireless screen sharing, allowing teachers and students to annotate, manipulate content, and present work directly at the board. The District has already deployed this model successfully in other classrooms, so the proposed equipment is supported by existing staff expertise, spare parts, and training materials, and standardizes the instructional technology environment for teachers and students.

This request is Phase 1 of a District-wide replacement plan. The current District inventory identified 147 projectors aged 8 years or older across five buildings, including 68 at the high school aged 12 or more. If partial funding is awarded, rooms will be prioritized by projector age, then by rooms where teachers currently report lights-off instruction. Installation will be performed by the Town of Berlin Facilities Department at no cost to the grant.

13. Identify the affected geographical area(s) and/or school system(s) that will benefit from the investment or initiative:

Berlin High School is a secondary school serving students in grades 9 through 12 across the Town of Berlin. The school enrolls approximately 795 students with a diverse population, and a free and reduced lunch population of about 23%. Academically, Berlin High School delivers a standards-based curriculum aligned with the District's framework, consistently outperforming Connecticut state averages on standardized assessments and maintaining a four-year graduation rate between 96% and 98%.
Beyond the classroom, Berlin High School maintains an active campus life through various athletics events, extensive fine arts and music programs, student publications, honor societies, and special-interest clubs.

14. State the number of subscribers served or students impacted:

Phase 1 of the Projector Replacement Project is targeting the Humanities wing of Berlin High School. Given the credit requirements for English and Social Studies the 12 classrooms scheduled for projector replacements serve all students throughout the school year. The current high school enrollment is 795.

15. List the schedule for implementation, including estimated dates for key milestones and completion.

Note: Completed projects are not eligible.

-November 2026 - Application filed in Docket 26-10-02
-Spring 2027 - Anticipated award notification
-Within 30 days of award - Purchase orders issued to vendors (quotes on file)
-4-6 weeks after purchase order - Equipment delivered to Berlin High School
-July-August 2027 - Installation by Town of Berlin Facilities during summer recess; IT configuration and testing
-August 2027 - Teacher orientation on interactive features (internal, no cost to grant)
-September 2027 - All 12 rooms in instructional use
-Fall 2027 - Project completion report filed with PURA

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16. Identify objective performance measures that can be used to evaluate the success or effectiveness of the investment or initiative:

Deliverables include:
-12 of 12 rooms installed and in instructional use by September 2027.
-100% of upgraded rooms usable with classroom lights on, verified by IT walkthrough.
-Post-installation: Teachers will be queried to address any issues that may arise following installation and confirm full functionality. IT staff will provide further training if necessary.
-Analytics: Expected reduction in projector repair helpdesk tickets in the 12 rooms over the 2027-28 school year compared with 2026-27.

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17. Description of organization, including experience and competence related to the proposed project:

The Berlin Public Schools is a mid-sized public school district serving the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, including Kensington and East Berlin. The District enrolls about 2,600 students Pre-K through Grade 12. The District is recognized for strong academic outcomes, low class sizes, and close community ties. The Berlin Public Schools are guided by its core themes of Purpose, Passion, and Pride, which anchors its curriculum around a "Vision of the Graduate" framework that emphasizes critical thinking, career readiness, and social-emotional learning. To support modern instruction and digital literacy, the District provides various classroom technologies and maintains a district-wide 1:1 technology initiative that provides every student with equitable access to personal learning devices.

The Projector Replacement Project will replace the traditional classroom projector exceeding 10 or more years of service, with interactive short throw technology to promote a diversified learning experience and innovation. The current budget for classroom technology replacement is underfunded given the rising cost of operational expenses, equipment costs, and resources. Underfunded accounts created a large gap in the number of units that can be replaced year after year. If awarded, grant funding will provide an opportunity to close the gap on the number of units that need to be funded through local tax dollars.
The District demonstrates consistent stability and high achievement. Berlin students regularly outperform Connecticut state averages on standardized assessments, including the Smarter Balanced Assessments in grades 3 through 8 and the Connecticut SAT School Day in grade 11. We can attribute a part of that achievement to our technology program which prepares students for future academic success.

IV. Budget Information

18. Partner organization(s) or other funding sources (if applicable):

The Board of Education will partner with the Town of Berlin for project implementation. Installation of the projectors will be provided by the Town's Facilities Department with labor in-kind at no cost to the grant. Additionally, the Berlin Board of Education will subsidize the project cost with the General Fund. The District's IT Department will complete network and equipment configuration, teacher orientation, and ongoing support from District resources.

Although this Projector Replacement Project will serve at phase 1 in a strategic and official plan, the District has already replaced 34 interactive projectors at Berlin High School at an approximate cost of $85,000.

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19. Have you completed the PEGPETIA Itemized Budget form below (with an itemized budget for the investment or initiative)?

☑ Yes.

☐ No. Explain:

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20. Have you provided supporting documentation for each item, such as copies of bids, estimates, and quotes?

☑ Yes.

☐ No. Explain:

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21. Are the non-equipment costs for design and engineering, installation, training, and warranties/insurance less than 10% of the overall grant request?

Note: Software may be categorized as equipment. Other non-equipment expenses (such as salaries, service agreements, or stipends) are <u>not permitted</u> as part of the grant request.

☑ Yes.

☐ No. Explain:

V. PEG Grant CAP Acknowledgment

22. **For PEG Grant Applicants Only:** The Applicant understands that it must review and comply with the relevant community access provider operating rules and regulations, including the prohibition of the presentation of any advertising material designed to promote the sale of commercial products or services (including advertising by or on behalf of candidates for public office). The Applicant further acknowledges that no organization or company providing community access operations shall exercise editorial control over programming, except as to programming that is obscene and except as otherwise allowed by applicable state and federal law.

☐ Yes.

☐ No.

VI. Signature of Authorized Representative

I, Ashley Dorsey, am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the applicant organization. Under the penalty of law, by signing this application, I affirm that the information provided to the Authority is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that any errors of omissions will be timely corrected and resubmitted.

I understand that grant funding may be denied due to failure to provide the information and supporting documentation required by this Application.

(Signature) *(Date)* November 18, 2026

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PEGPETIA ITEMIZED BUDGET

Instructions

Required Information

You must provide this itemized budget for the capital and equipment investment or education technology initiative proposed in your application. For each expense, you must provide the following information:

(1) Name of expense

(2) Total amount of expense (unit cost x quantity)

(3) Brief description

(4) Quantity requested

(5) Unit price

(6) A copy of a bid, estimate, or similar documentation; and

(7) Type of cost (equipment, design, engineering, installation, training, warranty, insurance, other)

For each expense listed, you must attach a copy of the bid, estimate, or similar documentation.

Note: The Authority cannot accept links to online vendors as documentation of expenses. You may, however, attach saved or printed copies of equipment listed for sale with online vendors as documentation.

Types of Costs

Non-equipment costs (such as design, engineering, installation, training, warranties, or insurance) must be reasonable and should be limited to less than 10% of the overall grant. Other non-equipment expenses (such as salaries, service agreements, or stipends) are not permitted as part of the grant request.

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2. Docket Number: 26-10-02
3. Docket Name: ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMMING AND EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

II. Budget Template

Expense	Amount	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Bid/ Estimate Attached	Type of Cost
(Example) Studio Camera	$ 1,400.00	(Example) Make, Model No. XYZ123, Qty 4, Unit Price $350	4	$350/each	✓	Equipment
(Example) Camera Install	$ 175.00	(Example) Installation of all cameras, connection to existing studio setup, and training personnel	1	$175	✓	Installation
Projector	$ 20,220.00	Epson BrightLink 760Wi - 3LCD projector	12	$1,685.00/ea	✓	Equipment
Wall Mount	$ 1,350.00	Epson Ultra-Short Throw Wall Mount	12	$112.50/ea	✓	Equipment
Touch Module	$ 2,388.00	Epson interactive touch module	12	$199.00/ea	✓	Equipment
Interactive White Boards	$ 5,100.00	MooreCo Interactive Projector Board	12	$425.00/ea	✓	Equipment
Total Amount:	$ 29,058.00					

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November 18, 2026

(Date)

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Quotation

Quotation Number	: 0229944323
Document Date	: 06-NOV-2026
PO Number	:
PO Release	:
Sales Rep	: Daniel Racaniello
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We deliver according to the following terms:

Payment Terms	: Net 30 days
Ship Via	: Insight Assigned Carrier/Ground
Terms of Delivery	: FOB DESTINATION
Currency	: USD

Material	Material Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
V11HA80020	Epson BrightLink 760Wi - 3LCD projector - 802.11a/b/g/n/ac wireless / LAN/ Miracast OMNIA PARTNERS (COBB COUNTY) IT PRODUCTS AND SERVICES(# 23-6692-03) List Price: 2528.99 Discount: 33.373%	12	1,685.00	20,220.00
V12HA06A05	Epson Ultra-Short Throw Wall Mount ELPMB62 mounting kit - for projector OMNIA PARTNERS (COBB COUNTY) IT PRODUCTS AND SERVICES(# 23-6692-03) List Price: 133.00 Discount: 15.414%	12	112.50	1,350.00
V12H007A23	Epson interactive touch module OMNIA PARTNERS (COBB COUNTY) IT PRODUCTS AND SERVICES(# 23-6692-03) List Price: 241.99 Discount: 17.765%	12	199.00	2,388.00

Product Subtotal	23,958.00
TAX	0.00
Total	23,958.00

PURCHASE ORDER REQUIREMENTS:
Quote Number:229944323

Purchase Order Number: _____

Authorized by/Title: _____ (please print)

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Additional signature, where required

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Thank you for choosing Insight. Please contact us with any questions or for additional information about Insight's complete IT solution offering.

Sincerely,

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2G5KG-26-MOOR	MooreCo Interactive Projector Board with Brio Trim - interactive whiteboard - low gloss white - TAA Compliant OMNIA PARTNERS (COBB COUNTY) IT PRODUCTS AND SERVICES(# 23-6692-03) List Price: 665.99 Discount: 36.185%	12	425.00	5,100.00

Product Subtotal	5,100.00
TAX	0.00
Total	5,100.00

PURCHASE ORDER REQUIREMENTS:
Quote Number:229944367

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