



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3317.51 Distance learning fund.

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(A) The distance learning fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of moneys paid by any telephone company as a part of a settlement agreement between such company and the public utilities commission in fiscal year 1995 in part to establish distance learning throughout the state. The chancellor of higher education shall administer the fund and expend moneys from it to finance technology grants to eligible schools chartered by the director of education and workforce to establish distance learning in those schools. Chartered schools are eligible for funds if they are within the service area of the telephone company. Investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.

(B) For purposes of this section, "distance learning" means the creation of a learning environment involving a school setting and at least one other location outside of the school which allows for information available at one site to be accessed at the other through the use of such educational applications as one-way or two-way transmission of data, voice, and video, singularly or in appropriate combinations.
