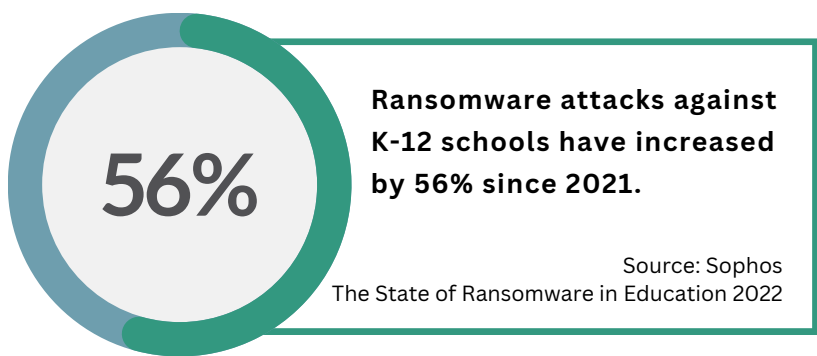


RIDE GRANTS & CYBERSECURITY

What your school need to know



"Coventry Public Schools experienced a ransomware attack in July 2019. That experience helped me realize the importance of leveraging every available dollar for proactive cybersecurity."

CRAIG LEVIS
SUPERINTENDENT, BOARD MEMBER, PUBLIC SECTOR SPECIALIST

Facts About This Grant

- **Grant name:** The 21st Century Technology and Equipment Fund
- **Established by:** The Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE)’s School Building Authority (SBA)
- **Amount:** \$15 million
- **Eligibility:** Local Education Agencies, including district and charter schools
- **Earmarked for:** Technology improvements, including assessments and Zero Trust implementations
- **Deadline:** To take advantage, submit technology-related invoices by June 30th, 2023. Envision's experts can walk you through the process and answer your questions.
- **More Info:** Check out the grant [website](#) or view the grant fund Frequently Asked Questions PDF [here](#).

The Cost of Inaction

Data breaches

Millions of dollars spent, loss of credibility and trust, lawsuits, and irreparable harm to students, faculty, and administrators.

Good day. All your files are encrypted. For decryption contact us.
Write here [redacted] and reserve [redacted] for [redacted] use.
Please use different mail for contact. And check your spam box.

We also inform that your databases, ftp server and file server were downloaded by us to our servers. If we do not receive a message from you within three days, we regard this as a refusal to negotiate. Check our platform: [redacted]

- * Do not rename encrypted files.
- * Do not try to decrypt your data using third party software, it may cause permanent data loss.
- * Do not stop process of encryption, because partial encryption cannot be decrypted.

Loss of Funding

The **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)** governs the way data is managed by schools. Violations can lead to loss of funding.



Personal Liability

Failure to act in the best interests of an organization can lead to lawsuits **against individual leaders**, not just institutions.

"With *Marchand v. Barnhill*, shareholders sued the officers and directors, alleging that they failed to ensure that the company’s regulatory compliance programs were adequate. The principles of *Marchand* apply directly to cybersecurity risk."

William R. Denny, Business Law Today - Feb 2020

Critical Next Steps



Call or email Public Sector Specialist **Jay Longley**



Apply for funding by **June 30th, 2023**



Allocate the funds & implement improvements

Envision has been expertly supporting the security needs of public sector organizations for a quarter of a century. We provide strategic advice, architect NIST/Zero Trust deployments, identify grant funding sources to pay for cybersecurity implementations, and assist with achieving compliance and insurance requirements.