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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Empire Access offers Free Internet to Students**

Prattsburgh, NY – March 16, 2020 – Empire Access is now offering 2 months of free Internet service to families with students who do not currently have Internet at home. Starting today, households with K-12 and/or college students can sign up for 2 months of free Empire Access Internet service with Wi-Fi. There are no contracts required for this service, and installation is free.

“As a locally owned and operated broadband company, we recognize the need for students to have Internet access at home during their time away from school due to the impacts of the coronavirus. We are here for our communities, and ready to help families and students during this challenging time,” said Jim Baase, COO of Empire Access.

To sign up for this free Internet service, families can call 844-502-7089. The Empire Access call center is open 24x7. This service includes Empire Access standard Internet speeds and is available only in existing Empire Access service areas. After 2 months of free service, standard rates will apply.

Empire is also reaching out to local school districts to help ensure students without broadband service have the necessary Internet access to continue their education.

Empire Access is part of a locally/family-owned and operated company; rooted from a telephone company founded in 1896. The organization has long been recognized for their knowledgeable, reliable and responsive service. Live customer support is available 24/7/365.

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### **About Empire Access**

After starting in 1896 with one telephone line in Prattsburgh, NY, Empire Access has grown significantly as a family-owned, locally based communications provider serving large areas of Upstate New York and Northern Pennsylvania. Today’s Empire offers a wide range of products and services from basic phone service to customized phone solutions, scalable high-speed Fiber Optic Internet, basic to enhanced digital TV service and advanced security solutions. Responding to a variety of business and consumer needs, Empire continues to expand into new areas while retaining a strong focus on local, personalized customer service.

Empire Access offers Fiber Optic service in Arkport, Batavia, Bath, Big Flats, Burdett, Canandaigua, Canisteo, Corning, Dansville, Elmira, Elmira Heights, Geneseo, Geneva, Hammondsport, Hornell, LeRoy, Montour Falls, Mount Morris, Naples, North Hornell, Odessa, Prattsburgh, Penn Yan, Victor, Warsaw, Watkins Glen, and Waverly in New York and Sayre, Athens, South Waverly and Troy in Pennsylvania. The company’s Website can be found at [www.empireaccess.com](http://www.empireaccess.com).

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