

FREE Wi-Fi Hot Spots

Blue Ridge Mountain EMC has concern for our community. In fact, it is one of the core principles guiding member-owned Cooperative organizations. During this challenging time, we recognize that the resources available to us may be a blessing to others living in our area if they are deployed quickly and strategically. One of these resources is our high-speed internet service.

A number of families and individuals in our communities are being forced to do their school work and even their jobs remotely or from home. In order to help, BRMEMC has temporarily deployed free Wi-Fi services at several locations across its service territory. These sites will offer high-quality wireless signals utilizing our high speed fiber network that can be received by individuals simply by parking nearby and connecting to the service. Following are the sites we currently have deployed:

Cherokee County: Hiwassee Dam School (front parking lot), Murphy First United Methodist Church (Front of building facing Valley River Avenue), Ranger Community Center (front of center)

Clay County: Downings Creek Baptist Church, Hayesville

Towns County: Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds, Dollar General Store at Hwy. 76 & Sunnyside (please park on side of the store) / Macedonia Baptist Church (please park in front of the Church)

Fannin County: Hemptown Baptist Church

Union County: Meeks Park, Blairsville, Harmony Grove Baptist Church, Blairsville (parking lot)

In order to access the Wi-Fi service, simply look for the Wireless SSID named "Student" and choose "connect". This service will work with laptops, tablets, cell phones and other Wi-Fi enabled devices.

All we ask of users of these temporary sites is to be respectful of the areas surrounding these "hotspots", as these organizations have been generous in offering to let us use them for this purpose. Please refrain from depositing trash, creating a noise disturbance, or any other activities that might infringe on others' use of the service. Again, this is something we are trying to do to alleviate stress, not create headaches for others.

Finally, if you have questions or concerns about the service or if for some reason the service stops working, you can always reach out to us at (706) 379-3121 or (828) 837-1017.

