

Local Phone Service Providers

SBC

Customer Service: English: 1-800-244-4444; Spanish: 1-800-621-4533; Polish: 1-800-417-1588

<http://www.sbc.com/gen/landing-pages?pid=3310>

Notes: Social Security Number is not required to open an account; however, must see the passport and one other photo ID (i.e. student ID or international driver's license). It will take 3 extra days to process without an SSN.

AT&T

IL Local Service: 1-888-709-6098, Ex. 20416 (**please call and see if local service is offered in your area**)

<http://www.consumer.att.com/plans/calling/>

Notes: Social Security Number is preferred but not required to open an account. AT&T will open an account for a student if he/she can provide two photo IDs (i.e. passport and student ID), plus a copy of the apartment lease, a bank statement or a utility bill.

MCI

Customer Service: 1-877-777-6271 (**please call and see if local service is offered in your area**)

http://consumer.mci.com/res_long_distance/index.html

Notes: Social Security Number is not required to open an account; however, MCI will need to run a credit check on the applicant. May require a deposit.

Long Distance Service Providers (need to have local phone service first)

AT&T

General Inquiries: 1-800-222-0300

Long Distance: 1-800-222-0300

http://www.consumer.att.com/plans/long_distance/

Notes: Social Security Number is preferred but not required to open an account. AT&T will open an account for an international student without an SSN as long as he/she provides information such as name, local address, and date of birth.

MCI

Customer Service: 1-800-444-3333

http://consumer.mci.com/res_long_distance/index.html

Notes: Social Security Number is preferred but not required to open an account. If student has a local phone number, there will be no problem to open an account.

Sprint

Customer Service: 1-800-877-4646

www.sprint.com

Notes: Social Security Number is not required to open an account. However, Sprint will need student's name and address to run a credit check.

Telecom*USA (10-10-220)

Customer Service: 1-800-540-3598

<http://www.1010220.com>

Notes: To make a phone call, dial 10-10-220 then 1 + area code + phone number for calls within the US and to Canada (and all other countries that use an area code). For international calls, dial 10-10-220 then 011 + country code + phone number.

IMPORTANT: Please check their website for rates and other information.

Lucky Dog Phone Company (10-10-345)

Customer Service: 1-800-317-2657

<http://www.1010345.com>

Notes: To place calls within the U.S (state to state or in-state), or to Canada or the Caribbean: Dial 10-10-345 + 1 + area code + telephone number. To place calls internationally: Dial 10-10-345 + 011 + country code + telephone number.

IMPORTANT: Please check their website for rates and other information.

Cellular Phone Providers

T-Mobile

Customer Service: 1-800-T-MOBILE (1-800-8-662453)

<http://www.t-mobile.com/>

Notes: Without an SSN, international students can purchase cell phones and calling plans from a T-Mobile retail store; however, students need to put down a \$600 deposit. If students have good payment history, the deposit will be returned to them when the contract is up. The nearest T-Mobile retail store is on 335 E. 35th St. Phone: 312-567-0468 (ask for T.J.).

Verizon Wireless

Customer Service: 1-800-256-4646

www.verizonwireless.com

Notes: Without an SSN, international students can either purchase a Pre-Paid plan or put down a \$400 deposit to get a Post-Paid plan. If students have good payment history, the deposit will be returned to them when the contract is up. Students may purchase at a retail store or over the phone (1-866-745-4679 ex. 9647, ask for Dale).

Nextel Communications

Customer Service: 1-800-639-6111

www.nextel.com

Notes: Social Security Number is not required to open an account. However, Nextel needs student's name and address to run a credit check. May need to see student's passport.

Cingular/AT&T Wireless

Customer Service: 1-800-331-0500

<http://www.cingular.com/>

Notes: Without an SSN, students can purchase the Pre-Paid plan.

University Mobile

Customer Service: 1-800-853-4133

<http://www.universitymobile.com>

Notes: No contracts or term agreements. No social security number, credit checks or security deposits required to open an account. Students need to provide credit card or debit card info to order service online. **Please visit their website for more details.**

Pay-As-You-Go/Prepaid Cellular Phones & Cellular Cards

(May require Debit/Credit Card)

Amazon <http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/browse/-/573356/002-4957213-2774463>

Radio Shack <http://www.radioshack.com/content/promotionalpages/promo11.asp>

Walmart <http://www.walmart.com/catalog/catalog.gsp?cat=3980&path=0%3A3944%3A178120%3A3980>

Prepaid Phone Cards – Not Cellular Cards

(Debit/Credit Card Required)

Leancard <http://www.leancard.com/>

Pinonsale <http://www.pinonsale.com/phonecards.asp>

Union Telecard <http://www.uniontelecard.com>

Sina(China/Taiwan) <http://shopping.sina.com/sinamall/mall/Phonecard.asp?keyword=Phonecard>

Yahoo Phone Card <http://phonecard.yahoo.com/>

AT&T <http://www.consumer.att.com/prepaidcard/>

Target <http://www.target.com/gp/browse.html/601-5459740-8202543?%5Fencoding=UTF8&node=10679551>

Walmart http://www.walmart.com/catalog/product_listing.gsp?cat=14563&path=0%3A3944%3A178120%3A14563