

# Follow PTCI on social media

Are you following us on our socials? We're constantly sharing product news, promotions, and things that are going on in our service area. Win great prizes with one of our many social media contests or find links to our live streams. You can find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn.



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### Buy local or bye-bye local

It's easy to order from a huge online retailer and have items delivered to your door. But think about it — that huge online retailer doesn't need your money. Who does? Small businesses in our community.

PTCI encourages you to make an extra effort to buy what you need locally. Our collective support of small businesses here will go a long way toward helping them stay open.



### PTCI Headquarters

PO Box 1188, Guymon, OK 73942  
800.562.2556 | ptc.net

### Perryton Store

222 S Amherst, Perryton, TX 79070  
Mon, Wed-Fri: 8:30 am-12:30 pm, 1:30-5:30 pm  
Tue: 9:00 am-12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-5:30 pm

### Spearman Store

721 W 7th, Spearman, TX 79081  
Mon-Fri: 9:00 am-12:30 pm, 1:30 pm-5:30 pm

### Canadian Store

112 N 3rd Street, Canadian, TX 79014  
Wed: 9:30 am-12:00 pm, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

### Office Closures

April 7 - Good Friday  
May 29 - Memorial Day



Perryton 7th Graders



Perryton 8th Graders

## PTCI recognized area honor roll students

Each January PTCI honors seventh grade through senior year students who achieve honor roll status in the first semester with a school-specific T-shirt across all schools in our coverage area. The unique designs are only available to those whose excellence stands out in the classroom.

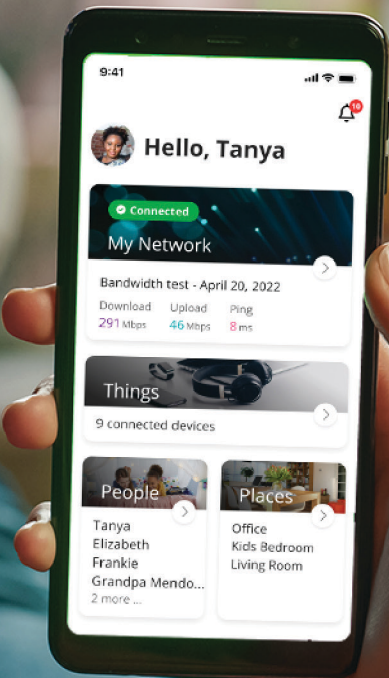
Congratulations to all honor roll T-shirt recipients! PTCI is honored to honor you!

## Have Real Network Control In Real Time.

## Call now and get 3 free months of Whole Home WiFi.



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and get  
\$10 credit

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  - Login to your account
  - Click "My Profile"
  - Click "Update My Printed Bill Settings"
  - Click "OFF" under "Printed Bill Status"
- Sign up for paperless billing from the app
  - Login to your account
  - Click "Settings"
  - Click "Paperless Bill Settings"
  - Toggle switch to green under "Paperless"

\*Receive a one-time \$10 PTCI bill credit by enrolling in paperless billing. Offer expires May 31, 2023



Who can call numbers on the Do Not Call list?

Telemarketing is more prevalent now than ever, causing more than 246 million phone numbers to register with the national Do Not Call list. If you're on this list, you may have noticed that your registration only affected certain types of callers.

That's because the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), who administer the Do Not Call list, have limited jurisdiction. As a result, the following groups can still contact you:

- Political groups
- Charitable organizations
- Phone surveyors, when their sole purpose is to conduct a survey
- Companies with whom you have a business relationship — this includes anyone from whom you've made purchases; they can call you for up to 18 months after your last purchase
- Those who have received written permission from you

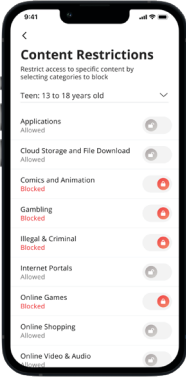
For additional details or to register your phone numbers (including both home and cell phone numbers), visit [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov). Most telemarketing calls should stop within 31 days of your registration.

ExperienceIQ™ lets parents restrict internet content via the PTCI WiFi App

PTCI's Whole Home WiFi includes the PTCI WiFi App and the enhanced parental controls of ExperienceIQ. The **Restrictions** feature within ExperienceIQ lets you control the type of content each user in your home can access on your internet connection.

Already have the PTCI WiFi App? Here's what to do:

- Within the PTCI WiFi app, locate and tap **Restrictions** from inside a People profile. You'll see sections labeled **Content Restrictions, Applications, and Websites**.
- The **Content Restrictions** filter prevents users from accessing entire sections of the internet. You can select from a pre-designated age group filters or create custom content restrictions to easily tailor appropriate content. You can also turn on Safe Search for Google and Bing, along with YouTube Restrictions directly from within the app at the profile level.
- In the next section, you'll find **Applications**. For each profile, you can block or allow access to specific applications. They can be blocked indefinitely, or a daily duration limit can be set. You can also simply toggle between Allow and Block at any time you choose.
- In the third section, you have the option to block or allow specific **Websites**. For example, if you notice that a user is spending too much time browsing specific sites, you can add the URL to block it.



With ExperienceIQ, it's easy to set content restrictions and manage your family's internet experience. The PTCI WiFi App also provides ProtectIQ, which works in the background to secure your home network at the system level whether you choose specific settings or change nothing.

Want to gain the benefits of ExperienceIQ with PTCI's Whole Home WiFi and the PTCI WiFi App? Sign up today and get it FREE FOR THREE MONTHS! Visit [ptci.net](http://ptci.net) or call 800.562.2556.

**Don't hunt for great WiFi**  
Check out all the eggs in this basket

**Now FREE with Whole Home WiFi.**

Watch for the red flags of charity scams



Sharing your blessings through charity donations is a wonderful way to give back. Unfortunately, scammers will try to take advantage of this generosity to steal your money and personal information.

Charity scams take many different forms. They may make a plea to send humanitarian aid to help malnourished orphans from a developing nation. Or the donation request might be linked to current events such as a weather disaster. While emails are still used to send these fraudulent messages, scammers are increasingly switching to social media because people tend to be less vigilant with messages in Facebook, Twitter, or LinkedIn than they are with emails. Plus, social media platforms aren't filtering spam or monitoring for malicious links.

Look out for these red flags to help you spot a charity scam:

- You're asked to share personal information — such as your Social Security, credit card, or checking account numbers — before you can make a donation.
- You're pressured into donating right away or made to feel guilty or selfish about deciding whether to donate.
- When asked how your donation will be used, you get vague responses.
- An organization with a name closely resembling a well-known charity asks for a donation from you.
- The charity will only accept donations by prepaid debit card, gift card, or Western Union wire transfer.
- The message claims you're guaranteed to win a prize in exchange for a "donation," which is illegal.

When people fall victim to charity scams and donate, no money ever goes toward helping those in need — every penny goes to the scammers. Even worse, the personal information harvested could be used to drain bank accounts, rack up credit card charges, and steal identities.

To avoid this happening to you, always donate to real charities on their own websites instead of clicking on links in email or social media solicitations. Also be aware that legitimate aid organizations will accept donations by credit card or check.

If you or someone you know has been tricked by a charity scam, report it by filing a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission or calling 1-877-FTC-HELP.

Enter the Annual Directory Photo Contest

It's time to show off your talent! PTCI invites you to submit your best photograph for a chance to have your picture featured on the cover of our telephone directory!

Details for entering your photograph:

- 1) The contest is open to amateurs, hobbyists, pros, and anyone anywhere in between.
- 2) Photos must be submitted in digital, jpeg format. No more than three photo submissions per contestant.
- 3) Photos should be taken at the highest resolution of at least 300 ppi. (Photos submitted with lower resolution are not judged. To obtain higher resolution, change your camera settings to a minimum of 2550 x 3300 pixels.)
- 4) Take a picture that captures the uniqueness of our area! Photos must be taken within our service area.

**CONTEST DEADLINE IS JUNE 23, 2023. Email files to [jason.epp@ptci.net](mailto:jason.epp@ptci.net) or mail CDs/DVDs to PTCI, Attn: Directory Contest, PO Box 1188, 2222 NW Hwy 64, Guymon, OK 73942.**

