

## Online Learning Solutions For The School Year

(NAPS)—During the back-to-school season, a seamless and affordable online experience is more critical than ever. Here's how to optimize your digital ecosystem to enhance productivity and convenience for every member of your family.

### Beware Bandwidth Bottlenecks

To ensure a fair distribution of bandwidth:

- **Optimize Network Settings:** Prioritize devices that require higher bandwidth, such as laptops for video conferencing or online learning platforms. Limit the bandwidth for non-critical devices



**Back-to-school Internet solutions can be tailored to your family's unique needs, providing high-speed Internet, robust security, and advanced network management.**

- **Upgrade Your Internet Plan:** A higher-speed Internet plan may be able to handle multiple users and bandwidth-intensive tasks simultaneously.
- **Use Wired Connections:** For devices that require a stable connection, such as desktop computers or gaming consoles, use Ethernet cables instead of WiFi to reduce strain on your network.
- **Schedule High-Bandwidth Activities:** Coordinate with family members to schedule high-bandwidth activities (large file downloads and streaming, say) during off-peak hours.

### Network Congestion

Heavy Internet use during peak hours can cause congestion, especially with 5G. Fortunately, most broadband Internet service providers (ISPs) offer reliable, high-speed Internet packages to keep your family connected. In addition, to safeguard speeds for every member of your household:

- Ensure devices aren't running unnecessary background processes or updates that consume bandwidth.
- Use network monitoring tools to identify devices or applications that consume excessive bandwidth.
- Set time limits on devices.
- Reposition the router.
- Switch between 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands, as each has different strengths in terms of coverage and speed.
- Get regular updates and patches for all devices and software.
- Employ collaboration tools that support auto-save and real-time syncing

### Learn More

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