Make the Connection
Utilize funds to connect students and educators remotely

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With closures announced through the end of the 2019-2020 school year, districts across the country are changing how they operate. They are transitioning to remote learning environments, ensuring connectivity for students who may be without and providing assistance to families caught in the digital divide. However, these efforts are a cost schools were not prepared for.

The good news–relief is on the way. Districts across the country are receiving funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act to support learning needs. The CARES Act provides a nearly $13.5 billion stimulus for schools and will fund necessary support programs while students, teachers and administrators adapt– including recommended remote learning and connectivity technologies.

How will your district utilize available funds?

A3 Communications is here to make sure you and your schools receive the right solutions for your students and keep them safe, connected and set up for success. Luckily, you don't need to spend your funds right away. Our team is ready to deliver dynamic solutions to keep students learning whenever you are ready, whether you need remote connectivity or collaboration software, we are here. Free trials of remote learning and collaboration software from Cisco and Microsoft are also available to use! Test products before committing while connecting students through the remainder of the school year.

Contact our team and let us connect your students and staff today!
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K12 Solutions & Resources

Learn more about available remote learning and connectivity solutions

A3 is proud to partner with nationally recognized brands like Cisco, Cradlepoint and Microsoft to keep schools running while transitioning to remote learning. With these innovative solutions, educators can have peace of mind that students are connected and on the path to success from the safety of their home.

Free Remote Learning Solutions

Cisco enables educators through secure distance learning, professional development and collaboration technologies. **Cisco WebEx** and **Cisco Teams** create active learning spaces with video, chat and collaboration capabilities. Educators can record lectures, invite guest presenters, schedule office hours and utilize digital whiteboards. Students can easily collaborate and connect with their teachers and interact while outside of their actual classroom. These solutions are designed to combat low student engagement, faculty burnout and declining student success rates.

Cisco WebEx and Cisco Teams are available for **free** for 90 days to users. Cisco's networking and hosted solutions are available to schools at an additional cost.

Microsoft builds collaborative classrooms and connects learning communities through the application of **Office 365** and **Microsoft Teams.** The software allows educators to manage remote learning across multiple device types, including iOS, Android, tablets and laptops. Users can co-author files, share resources and run classrooms as they normally would with assignments and feedback. These solutions are designed to empower both educators and students through a secure and engaging learning environment where communication is key.

Office 365 Education and Microsoft Teams are available for **free** to students and teachers with a valid school e-mail address.

Remote Connectivity Soltuions

Cradlepoint enables students with flexible connectivity in and out of the classroom. The **NetCloud** cloud-managed LTE enabled network solution has the ability to keep students connected from anywhere via a ruggedized Wi-Fi broadcast through vehicles and cloud managed VPN tunnels. This solution was designed to combat the challenges of learning, including different urban and rural environments, as well as potential security risks. The NetCloud school bus enabled solution includes a ruggedized router, firewall, three port switch and the needed Wi-Fi as well as a three year warranty with cloud management and security.

The flexibility of this solution extends beyond the current need for distance learning and can be used to provide connection for portable classrooms, special events and mobile study halls while integrating seamlessly with other networking and security solutions. This solution is available for rapid deployment.

Let our team keep your district connected!
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