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News & Updates

Internet2's Community Anchor Program Highlights ICN

Serving Iowans in a Time of Crisis

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When the pandemic completely changed how we thought of teaching and learning, Iowa Communications Network (ICN), the state-owned research and education network, made quick decisions to adapt its business methods and increase connections for all the community anchor institutions it serves throughout the state. ICN serves K-12 schools, higher education, public safety entities, hospitals and clinics, state and federal government, National Guard armories, and libraries.

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Students Hear from Industry Leaders

We are three months into this school year and our Statewide Youth Broadband Advisory Council (SYBAC) is continuing to have discussions about broadband and technology.

The last three months our session focuses have included:

- *September:* ICN's fiber optic connectivity statewide and hearing about ICN's current projects and initiatives.
- *October:* Cybersecurity
- *November:* Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) presented on the Future of Transportation focusing on Automated Transportation (AT) activities.

This year SYBAC students were given the task of working their way through the self-paced [Fortinet NSE 1 Program certificate](#).

Broadband News

[FCC Announces Over \\$700M for Broadband in 26 States Through Rural Digital Opportunity Fund](#)

[Here are 2 ways Iowans will see the impact of the federal infrastructure bill](#)

[Need cyber talent? 'Fish in a bigger pond,' university CISO says](#)

[Breaking Down Broadband Funding in the Infrastructure Bill](#)

[Experts Urge FCC Unilaterally Broaden Revenue Base of Universal Service Fund](#)

[E-rate Trends Shows Need for Network Security Funding](#)

[Sioux Center school nurse stays connected](#)

[Whole-of-State Cybersecurity Gains Ground in Government](#)

This Network Security Associate Certification teaches about the security threat landscape.

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ICN Releases Annual Report

The report highlights the work completed between July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. The ITTC and ICN continue to support our customers in the education, healthcare, government, and public safety sectors.

[View Report](#)

Internet2 Community Anchor Program (CAP)

Announcing the 2022 Presidential Primary Sources Project Series

The [Internet2 Community Anchor Program](#) is proud to announce the new lineup for the [2022 Presidential Primary Sources Project \(PPSP\)](#), a series of free, standards-aligned, 45-minute interactive webinars aimed at students in grades 4-12.

The series will run from January through March of 2022. [Register](#) for one or more of the free, interactive sessions today!

Highlights from Social Media

ICN Industry of the Month: K-12 Education



ICN Service of the Month: Colocation



[NextGen 911 and the Future of Emergency Management](#)

[GW students benefit from Scale Up awards](#)

[NYC to Serve 1.6 Million Residents With Broadband in Next Three Year](#)

[CISA warns malware could be injected into emergency communications](#)

[Building a Cloud-Savvy Workforce May Mean Rethinking Degree Requirements](#)

[Regulations are changing that will affect the future of telehealth](#)

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[COVID-19 pandemic spurred new telehealth deals with employers: 5 insights](#)

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