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Iowa City schools go virtual in first week of online instruction

Iowa City Community School District has handed out about 750 mobile hotspots to K-12 students and 3,000 devices to K-9 students in its shift to online learning.

Source: The Daily Iowan

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Education

[Denison High School students to begin required online learning on Monday](#)

After viewing lessons and doing assignments on a voluntary basis for the past 7 weeks, Denison High School students ramp up their learning to the required level.

Source: Denison Bulletin & Review

[Could Remote Teaching End Snow Days After COVID-19?](#)

While teachers say that online instruction is often not as effective as traditional classrooms, it could still be used in place of snow days.

Source: Government Technology

[How Educators Are Keeping Students Engaged Remotely](#)

With innovative uses of digital tools, K-12 teachers can create meaningful learning experiences.

Source: @EdTech_K12

[University Offers Free Online Courses to Incoming Freshmen](#)

Indiana State University is using a new tool to enroll first-time freshmen for fall term — a free, online course.

Source: Government Technology

Digital Divide

[53% of Americans Say the Internet Has Been Essential During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

Americans with lower incomes are particularly likely to have concerns related to the digital divide and the digital "homework gap."

Source: Pew Research Center

[Sacramento Regional Transit Launches WiFi Buses to Help Close Digital Divide](#)

10 repurposed WiFi Buses are outfitted with combinations of equipment provided free of charge to offer high-speed connectivity with a range of up to 1,800 feet.

Source: Sac Observer

Healthcare

[Industry Voices—Can you put the genie back in the bottle, or is telemedicine here to stay?](#)

Telemedicine platforms are accessible via computer or smartphone at minimal cost.

Source: Fierce Healthcare

[FCC Approves More Telehealth Funding](#)

Funding connectivity for healthcare providers so they could do remote monitoring of COVID-19 patients and other pandemic-related telehealth needs--like remote diagnoses and medical advice.

Source: MultiChannel News

[Cyber-attacks on healthcare facilities 'growing threat' during coronavirus pandemic](#)

Global tech company believes it is likely cybercriminals will target government agencies, healthcare facilities & medical professionals during COVID-19.

Source: Healthcare IT News

Cyber

[Take Me to the Cyber Ranges: New Series of Virtual Capture-the-Flag Cyber Challenges](#)

Challenge yourself with free virtual opportunities for learning and upskilling from the SANS Institute.

Source: SANS Institute

[Fortinet Makes All Online Cybersecurity Training Courses Available for Free to Address Skills Gap](#)

Online, self-paced training courses available free for anyone to expand technical security skills and broad cyber awareness at no cost.

Source: Fortinet

[Telework guidance and resources](#)

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Source: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency

Government

[COVID-19 Causes Governments to Use Tech More](#)

The California Homeless Data System team looks to hire new tech talent; a New York City group rolls out a Census messaging guide; and the Connecticut Data Collaborative is hosting online events.

Source: GOVERNING

[Massachusetts Town Holds First Virtual Election Debates](#)

Candidates in the first virtual local election debates in Milford, Mass., took on an unsurprising topic – the coronavirus, doing so online via video chatting rather than in person.

Source: Government Technology

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