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Iowa Communications Network

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News & Updates

ICN Celebrates 30 Years of Innovation

We are celebrating our 30th anniversary throughout 2023. To mark the milestone, we have launched a few webpages that feature how the Network connects with Iowans, historic information, article snapshots, and information about future projects.

To read about ICN's 30 years of innovation visit our 30 Years webpage. Social media users can follow along using #Celebrate30ICN.

Read ICN Celebrates 30 Years of Innovation

Celebrate 30 Webpage

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30 Years of Service Proclamation

Governor Kim Reynolds signed a proclamation celebrating 30 Years of Service for the ICN. The proclamation highlights the valuable and strong broadband services benefiting Iowans in all 99 counties.

A digital version of ICN's 30 Years of Service proclamation is available on ICN's website.

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5 Cybersecurity Resolutions for the New Year

As we begin the new year, it is a perfect time to strengthen your cybersecurity practices and set a few resolutions for 2023. Cyberthreats are increasing at record speed, on our website we have provided 5 recommendations to help protect you and your education organization.

Read Cybersecurity Resolutions for the New Year

Data Privacy Week

YOUR DATA IS VALUABLE.

Did you miss Data Privacy Week? The National Cybersecurity Alliance has resources and guides available to help spread awareness about online privacy.

- Learn What is Data Privacy?
- How to Manage Your Privacy Settings.
- Read a guide on how to maintain, track, and protect your online privacy when using websites and apps.

Learn more about Data Privacy

K-12 Education Notices

E-Rate Funding Year 2023 Application Filing Window Opened January 18.
The E-Rate application filing window opened on January 18. The E-Rate section of USAC's website provides resources for new applicants or applicants continuing to participate in the program.

Internet2 Update: Presidential Primary Sources Project (PPSP)
Attention teachers & curriculum planners: The PPSP provides a free program Jan-Mar 2023 for your students to examine artifacts, documents, and video clips to learn about presidential campaigns through an interactive web series. Register today!

Latest Broadband and Security News

Closing the Cybersecurity Skills Gap with Passionate Trainers, Fortinet

Broadband Offices' Perspectives on FCC Broadband Map Deadline, Government Technology

When fiber fails, FirstNet connects Iowa's 9-1-1 calls, FirstNet

2023 Cybersecurity Threats and Trends, Pratum

Telemedicine: Filling In The Hospital Care Gap In America, Forbes

Calendar Year 2022 Commitments Set Five Year Record, Funds for Learning

What's Next for State, Local Cybersecurity Grants?, Government Technology

Advancing Internet for All, NTIA

Which is the most digitally vulnerable state in the U.S.?, Government Technology

Manage Your Privacy Settings, National Cybersecurity Alliance