

THE ULTIMATE

Back-to-School Technology Checklist

10 Ways to Prepare Your Home for the School Year



A little preparation now can help your family spend less time troubleshooting and more time learning. Use this checklist to get your home technology ready for a successful school year.



1. Test Your Internet Connection

Run a speed test in the rooms where students work and learn. Make sure you have the speed and reliability your family needs.



2. Check Your WiFi Coverage

Walk through your home and check the signal in every room. Add WiFi coverage where needed for a stronger connection throughout your home.



3. Update Every Device

Install the latest updates on laptops, tablets, phones, browsers, printers, and educational apps to improve performance, reliability, and security.



4. Test Cameras, Microphones & Headphones

Test webcams, microphones, headphones, and earbuds to make sure everything works clearly before the first day of school.



5. Organize School Accounts

Gather logins for school email, student and parent portals, learning platforms, online textbooks, and classroom communication apps. Enable multi-factor authentication whenever possible.



WEST VIRGINIA TIP

Wondering when school starts?

Find the first and last day of school for every West Virginia county from the WV Dept. of Education: tinyurl.com/WVSchoolDates



6. Create a Homework-Friendly Workspace

Choose a comfortable, well-lit space with reliable WiFi, easy access to power outlets, and minimal distractions.



7. Review Your Home Network

Update your WiFi password if needed, remove unused devices, review connected devices, and create a guest network for visitors.



8. Be Ready for Storms and Power Outages

Charge devices before severe weather, keep backup power options ready, save important schoolwork to the cloud, and bookmark status.citynet.net for service updates.



9. Talk About Online Safety

Review strong passwords, safe browsing habits, privacy settings, and what to do if something online doesn't seem right.



10. Prepare for Busy Evenings

Plan for homework, streaming, gaming, and remote work by keeping devices charged, scheduling updates outside of homework hours, backing up important files, and making sure your home network can handle everyone being online.



READY FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR?

Citynet Fiber Internet delivers the speed, reliability, advanced WiFi equipment, and local, West Virginia-based support your family needs to learn, connect, and thrive throughout the school year.



CHECK YOUR ADDRESS

Check your address to see if Citynet Fiber is available and explore plans designed to keep your family connected throughout the school year.

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