

Learning & Safety

Balancing education, security, and privacy on your district network

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Executive Vision

Benefits of Consolidation

As you spend your summer months preparing your school network for the coming school year, you are likely facing several key challenges and issues.

Talking with customers at our recent customer conference and at NECC, we realize that the main challenges school IT directors are facing have to do with the growing responsibilities placed on their networks—but with tightening budgets and minimal resources.

How can you find the time and money to make Web 2.0 a safe tool for schools, when you also have to ensure the security of your network and your users? How can you make your network the most effective tool it can be for education when you are constantly dealing with fire-fighting and trouble-shooting? How can you best allocate your budgets for solutions that meet the needs of your networks, your teachers, your students, and you?

One answer: consolidation. By consolidating your Internet filter, antivirus software, spam blocker, and more into a single solution you not only save money, you also save time. A single interface, a single customer service team, and a single line item on your budget can help you meet the challenges of effectively managing and securing your network in the coming year.

- [Read real-world stories of customers who have benefited from consolidation with Lightspeed Total Traffic Control](#)
- [Learn more about our single, comprehensive solution, Total Traffic Control](#)
- [Discuss the benefits of consolidation in the Lightspeed Wiki](#)

Sincerely,
Joel Heinrichs, CEO, Lightspeed Systems

In Focus

New! IESD Research Summary

Read the key findings from the Safe Schools in a Web 2.0 World national survey and focus groups.

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New! Guide to Effective Filtering

Find out how intelligent web filtering can help you balance learning and security, meet CIPA mandates, address cyberbullying, and more with this informative new resource.

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New! Case Study: Kenosha School District

Discover how the Kenosha Unified School District in Wisconsin beat the battle against spam and spyware with Lightspeed Total Traffic Control.

[Read the story](#)

News

[Research Shows Schools Making Small Progress Toward Technology-Rich Environments](#) - Results of a benchmarks study released at NECC highlight the areas of most and least progress in creating technology-rich environments.

[ED To Fund Unified Student Data Systems](#) - The Obama administration identified the need to improve instruction through comprehensive, longitudinal student data tracking.

[Project Seeks To Measure Ed Tech's Value](#) - A cost-benefit analysis study will help determine the educational and financial impact of educational technology investments.

[Lightspeed Systems Upgrades Total Traffic Control Software and Releases 'Feature Tracker'](#)

Events

[Tennessee Educational Technology Association](#)

July 14-17

Lyles, TN

[Arkansas Science Teachers Association](#)

July 30-31

Rogers, AR

[Building Learning Communities](#)

July 29-31

Boston, MA

[Oklahoma State School Boards Association](#)

August 27-29

Oklahoma City, OK

[FAEDS](#)

September 27-29

Orlando, FL