EDUCATION
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During the pandemic, education systems were compelled to switch to hybrid and remote learning. Now, as many students begin returning to their classrooms, educators face new challenges that require new technologies to create safe, healthy environments in which students, faculty, staff, and families can connect. It's also essential that campuses continue offering resources that enhance ongoing, remote-learning programs. All these efforts are supported by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which provided $170.3B to education—making it the federal government's largest-ever, single investment in US schools[1].

EDUCATION TRENDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Health and safety
Monitor students' and staffs' temps and understand the safeguards needed for this process[2]

- Scan the temperatures of children/educators/visitors entering the school and deny entry to anyone with a fever. Provide wayfinding/pathing for students/staffs.

Video communication
Keep students and teachers connected from anywhere, for continued learning[1]

- The ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act of 2021) provided **$7.2B in funding** for the federal E-Rate program and will be extended to help bring devices/connectivity to students/educators/patrons of public libraries.

Equipping homes/classrooms
Provide secure tablets/computers for students to stay connected/collaborate[3]

- In February 2020, about 57% of teachers surveyed said each student in their schools had a device. Increased to 59% in May 2020.

Networking security
Protect student information and prevent phishing/cyberattacks[2]

- Cybersecurity tools for schools/universities make it easy to buy an installed/managed solution that addresses student/building/software security.

Staying informed
Send real-time notifications to parents/students/staffs through interactive voice response (IVR)[3]

- **87%** of teachers saw students' abilities to use education technologies improve during school closures.

Connectivity
Deploy Wi-Fi and connectivity to ensure students can seamlessly collaborate in school/at home[3]

- **96%** of teachers use their internet to teach students.

SOURCES

1 Learning Policy Institute, An Unparalleled Investment in US Public Education: Analysis of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
2 ScanSource GoRTO | **3** Education Week: How COVID-19 Is Shaping Tech Use: What That Means When Schools Reopen

SOLUTIONS THAT SUPPORT THESE TRENDS

SECURITY
Secure student info through devices and viewing restrictions

CONNECTIVITY
Ensure students seamlessly collaborate in schools/at home by securing Wi-Fi/connectivity

HEALTH AND SAFETY
Scan temps of teachers/staffs/students/visitors upon entry

VIDEO COMMUNICATION
Enable students/parents/teachers to connect anywhere

Cisco Webex – Teach, collaborate, message, and call securely

PHYSICAL SECURITY
Protect students/staff during in-person education

INTERACTIVE VOICE RESPONSE (IVR)
Send real-time notifications to parents/students/staffs

WAYFINDING
Control foot traffic through schools for the safest routes for students/staffs/visitors

COLLABORATION
Help teachers and students seamlessly connect/collaborate

Poly Studio USB – Deliver audio/video through an easy-to-use, USB video bar

ScanSource knows our valued partners are key to ensuring a seamless continuation of learning for students everywhere. That why we're dedicated to making sure you're aware of, and have access to, the solutions that can lead to your growth and success in the rapidly changing education landscape.

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