

ICN Member Benefits

- Experience 99% reliability on the largest private network in the state providing all the “perks” like real time management, network services, upgrades, and repairs to close to 8,000 institutions.
- Just a few hops away from thousands of Illinois schools, libraries, museums and government organizations as part of the “Illinois Intranet.”
- Full range of services including Connectivity Consultation, Domain Name (DNS) Hosting, Internet Connectivity, IP Addressing, and Monitoring/Analysis.
- Educational institutions can participate in Internet2, the research network that is a partnership of academia, industry and government.
- Centralized content filtering from Secure Computing (formerly N2H2) that users control from a web interface, to help with CIPA compliance.
- Access to broadcast quality video from CSPAN, PBS, NASA and hundreds of others across our multicast enabled backbone and caching services to greatly reduce the time it takes to download what you need.
- Rest easy with 24/7/365 monitoring and support for any kind of trouble via our statewide Network Operations Center. Get local support from one of nine Regional Technology Centers located around the state.
- Save big money on Cisco equipment (42.5%) and SmartNet maintenance (30%) thanks to ICN negotiated contracts with AT&T. Save even more with discounts on leased line T-1 and DS3 circuits from AT&T, newly negotiated pricing on metro-ethernet services from AT&T, and high speed connections via local cable providers.
- Get the bandwidth you expect when you need it from the ICN’s meshed state network, backed by over 7.5 Gigabits per second of commercial Internet access from multiple service providers supplemented by 2.5 gigabits of peering (I2 and Equinix).
- Make your own H.323 video connections for a modest monthly cost through the ICN’s IP Video service. Ensure smooth traffic flow for video and other critical applications with low cost Quality of Service (QoS).
- Have a voice in your connection! The ICN is member driven and receives feedback through the Policy Committee, Advanced Engineering Taskforce and regional meetings.
- T-1, cable, fiber? Choose from a variety of connection options that best meet your site’s need
- The ICN Network staff stays on top of emerging technologies and is constantly on the lookout for future trends.
- Go global with access to education networks worldwide through the ICN’s connection to StarLight.

For more information, see our website at www.illinois.net or call 877-844-2724.

