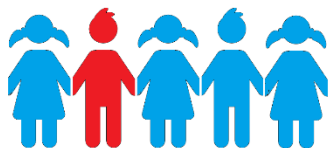




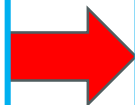
Outreach Presentation



Data on internet access in Chicago confirms what families are saying – we have an inequity



1 in 5 children in Chicago lack internet access*



- 100,000 kids across 60,000 households
- Mostly African American/Latinx neighborhoods
 - Just over 1 in 3 households in Austin
 - Nearly 1 in 3 households in Humboldt Park
 - Nearly 1 in 2 households in West Englewood

The immediate COVID need for internet access will help build permanent infrastructure to bridge the Digital Divide

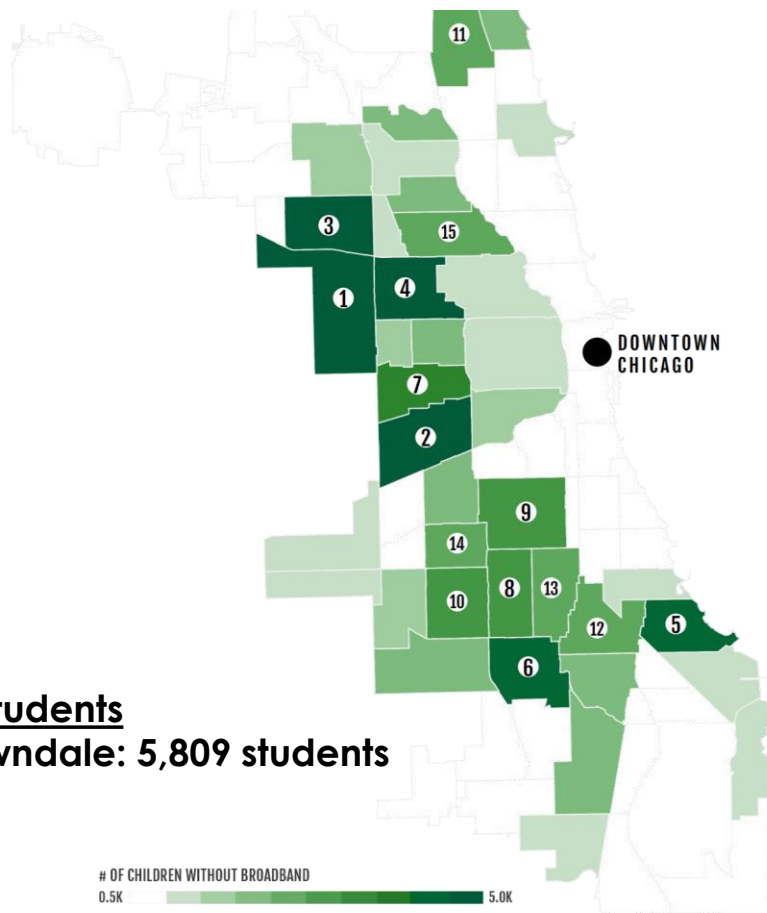
- Even post-COVID, internet access is a critical issue to promoting educational outcomes and righting broader inequities (poverty, housing access, food access)
- Research indicates that **internet access can improve students' GPAs and can improve standardized test scores**
- Internet access will help with engaging children in summer school and reducing summer crime

* "Digital Equity in Education", Kids First Chicago & Metropolitan Planning Council, April 2020 (students 18 and under)

** CPS Data for Google Meet and Platform Access from April 26 - May 2



Areas with the highest concentration of students without access to broadband are predominately on the South & West sides



of Students

15 Most Affected Community Areas

1. AUSTIN	WEST SIDE	7,801
2. SOUTH LAWNSDALE	WEST SIDE	6,624
3. BELMONT CRAGIN	NORTH/NORTHWEST SIDE	5,218
4. HUMBOLDT PARK	WEST SIDE	5,195
5. SOUTH SHORE	SOUTH SIDE	3,994
6. AUBURN GRESHAM	FAR SOUTHWEST SIDE	3,744
7. NORTH LAWNSDALE	WEST SIDE	3,550
8. WEST ENGLEWOOD	SOUTHWEST SIDE	3,089
9. NEW CITY	SOUTHWEST SIDE	2,992
10. CHICAGO LAWN	SOUTHWEST SIDE	2,769
11. WEST RIDGE	FAR NORTH SIDE	2,609
12. GREATER GRAND CROSSING	SOUTH SIDE	2,539
13. ENGLEWOOD	SOUTHWEST SIDE	2,392
14. GAGE PARK	SOUTHWEST SIDE	2,366
15. LOGAN SQUARE	NORTH/NORTHWEST SIDE	2,327

* See [US Census Bureau](#), 2019, 2014-2018 American Community Survey 5-year estimates



CHICAGO CONNECTED

- **One of the largest and longest city-run internet accessibility program in the country (100,000+ students, 60,000+ households)***
 - Focus on high-speed, fixed-line, household internet access (wireline ensures reliability, consistency of speed, and can most quickly connect Chicagoans)
 - Includes a WiFi “hotspot” component focused on students in temporary living situations and the small percentage of homes where wired-service cannot be used
- **Student household eligibility based on six equity factors*:**
 1. ***Economic circumstances*** indicating that the cost of internet will likely be a challenge (e.g., Medicaid, eligibility for free meals, homelessness, UIC's researched-based Community Hardship Index)
 2. ***Student-level factors*** indicating students who are most likely to be disadvantaged academically (Diverse Learning, English Language Learning)

*Visit [CPS.edu/ChicagoConnected](https://cps.edu/ChicagoConnected) for more details on eligibility and other Frequently Asked Questions

On-the-ground Collaboration

Albany Park & Avondale 	Archer Heights & Brighton Park 	Armour Square & Lower West Side 	Ashburn 
Auburn Gresham, Burnside, Chatham 	Austin 	Avalon Park, Calumet Heights, South Chicago 	Belmont Cragin, Hermosa, Montclare, Portage Park, Dunning, O'Hare 
Bronzeville (Douglas), Oakland, Grand Boulevard 	Chicago Lawn 	Citywide 	East & West Garfield Park 
East Side, Hegewisch, South Deering 	Englewood, West Englewood 	Gage Park, West Elsdon, New City 	Greater Grand Crossing SOUTH SHORE WORKS 
Humboldt Park 	North Lawndale 	Pullman, Roseland, Riverdale, West Pullman, Morgan Park, Washington Heights 	Rogers Park, West Ridge 
South Lawndale 	South Shore SOUTH SHORE WORKS 	Washington Park, Woodlawn 	West Lawn, Clearing, Garfield Ridge 

★ Myths vs. Facts About Chicago Connected

Myth

✓ Fact

It could take four years to get connected to the internet.



Eligible families can sign up for internet access **immediately.**

Families need to share a Social Security Number to sign up.



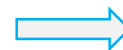
Families **do not need to have or share a Social Security** number to sign up. There are several other forms of ID allowed, such as a driver's license, a utility bill in the applicant's name, or even current employment badge / photo ID.

Families who sign up need to pass a background check.



Families who sign up **do not undergo a background check.**

Families will be responsible for secret additional charges (modem, data overages, etc.)



Families who sign up **do not receive a bill.** There are no connection or modem fees, with the exception of a customer that asks for excessive home visits or does not return equipment.



For general questions around tech support/remote learning, call CPS at (773) 417-1060

To determine if your student is eligible, call your school or visit [CPS.edu/GetConnected](https://www.cps.edu/GetConnected)