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## INTER-TEL SOLUTIONS FOR EDUCATION

Communication is a critical component in creating a more effective and safe education environment. The U.S. Department of Education continues to make additional funding available for technology and telecommunications services to assist in improving the way students, parents, educators and administrators communicate and function.

Through the effective use of technology, today's education administrators can:

- ▶ Increase security in the classroom
- ▶ Enable new methods of communication
- ▶ Improve overall efficiency while reducing costs



*"With previous communications systems we have experienced a void in growth capabilities. Since adding several Inter-Tel systems on campus, we now have a turnkey, reliable solution that will grow and adapt with our institution. The main advantage of purchasing an Inter-Tel solution is scalability and flexibility. This, in combination with excellent customer support of both old and new systems, meets our current and future needs."*  
 Bruce Engstrom, Telecommunications Supervisor,  
 University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

With over three decades experience in the telecommunications industry, Inter-Tel understands what you need from a communications solution to help meet your institution's needs. Whether you need access to dedicated consultants to help you apply for E-Rate funding or are looking for an experienced partner to help you maximize online/distance learning, Inter-Tel offers a sophisticated communications system. Inter-Tel's ongoing commitment to new technology ensures that your communications platform will expand to meet your future needs while solving your challenges today.



*"Inter-Tel's National and Government Accounts Program provides a unique set of services to schools and libraries. Via our national education division, Inter-Tel provides technology solutions to districts throughout the country. Solutions include turnkey voice, LAN/WAN and video applications. Our education team provides consultative services which assist qualified districts in applying for federal funding. Our solutions can be customized to fit the technology requirements of any school district no matter how large or small."*  
 Bill Boehm, Director of E-Rate and Education,  
 Inter-Tel National and Government Accounts



*"We are very pleased with our Inter-Tel communications system and with the service we are receiving. When investigating a solution, the most important component for us was a comprehensive voice mail system. The Inter-Tel system has provided voice mail consistency for all employees in the district as well as a strong set of features that everyone can use. Additionally, anytime we have had a problem or question, our calls have been returned promptly and our needs met immediately."*  
 Bill Wood, Interim Superintendent, Franklin City School District, Franklin, OH



## WHY INTER-TEL?

- ▶ **INVESTMENT PROTECTION:** Only one integrated communications system meets all the challenges educational institutions face.
  - ▶ Add applications and upgrade system capabilities through software
  - ▶ Increase functionality, portability and application flexibility, while decreasing expenses
  - ▶ Focus on growing your educational institution with the confidence that Inter-Tel will grow with you
- ▶ **ON OR OFF THE CAMPUS:** Education professionals have the mobility they need when using Inter-Tel's solutions.
  - ▶ Call forwarding options allow phones to be forwarded to outside lines and pagers
  - ▶ Intercom paging at system and station levels allows for flexibility
  - ▶ Wireless and cordless phone compatibility provides immediate access to staff
- ▶ **ENABLING COMMUNICATION:** Creating an environment of open communication is essential to meeting student, parent and educator needs.
  - ▶ Streamline the administration office with the ability to receive and send faxes, voice mail, or "record-a-calls"
  - ▶ Enable information to be accessible via a phone call 24 X 7 (i.e. homework hotline, registrar, school closings, etc.)
- ▶ **INCREASE PARENT AND STUDENT ACCESS TO EDUCATORS** by integrating sophisticated voice mail applications
- ▶ **MANAGEABILITY:** Inter-Tel makes administration easy.
  - ▶ Intuitive Windows-based GUI for simple adds, moves and changes
  - ▶ Simple call accounting solutions designed to make billing or tracking individual, department, campus or district calls a breeze
- ▶ **NETWORK BANDWIDTH:** Minimize your local and long distance monthly costs.
  - ▶ Establish Internet connectivity with direct dial numbers
  - ▶ Implement Frame Relay or Virtual Private Networking
  - ▶ Take advantage of Switched or Dedicated Services
- ▶ **FLEXIBLE FINANCING:** Inter-Tel Authorized Dealers offer unique financing opportunities to help budget your monthly operating costs.
- ▶ **GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS:** Inter-Tel's E-Rate and Education Group provides the additional support required to access federal funding for telecommunication products.
  - ▶ Provide E-Rate application filing assistance
  - ▶ Added benefit from a dedicated E-Rate consultant

## COST EFFECTIVE MULTI-LOCATIONS

### MULTI-LOCATION BENEFITS

- ▶ Decrease your monthly network expenses by deploying a networked solution between schools or campuses
- ▶ Access any location through a 5-digit extension
- ▶ Centralize your call processing to reduce duplicate general administrative costs

*"The best benefit we have received with our Inter-Tel communications system is the increased accessibility between our parents and teachers. Parents leave messages in the teacher's voice mail box, instead of with the school's secretary. By having phones in all classrooms, teachers can easily retrieve their messages and return the call. In today's world, it is unfortunate, but security is also a prime issue in schools. The classroom phones provide our staff, parents and students with peace of mind, knowing that our teachers can pick up the phone and communicate with the office at any time—especially during emergency situations."*  
 Bill Koulouriotis, Director of Technology, Webster Groves School District, St. Louis, MO

## ENHANCE LEARNING AND SAFETY BENEFITS TO THE CLASSROOM

- ▶ Integrate video conferencing solutions for distance learning
- ▶ Utilize voice announce via intercom for emergency situations
- ▶ Station level 911 for emergency service location identification

