

Software Subscription Service

THE SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE IS AN INTEGRAL
PART OF THE INTERNET SELECT.
IT PROVIDES SCHOOLS EVERYTHING THEY NEED
TO DO WHAT THEY'VE ALWAYS DONE WELL:
CAUSE LEARNING TO OCCUR.

An all-in-one solution, the Internet Select provides focused Internet resources to K-12 schools. Instead of approaching the Internet as a formidable force that can only be managed by removing a teacher's choices, the INTERNET SELECT empowers educators to integrate rich resources into the classroom environment. It provides educational enhancement for our students and security for our networks while making the Internet *easier for teachers to use*.

The INTERNET SELECT has several key features, all integral to its success in providing true educational value to our classrooms. Let's look at each feature, concentrating specifically on the Software Subscription Service, a key advantage to a school that implements the INTERNET SELECT.

The right formula for educational value

The INTERNET SELECT achieves its unique solution through a strong formula of features, all developed to work together for the educational community. Specifically, the INTERNET SELECT is comprised of:

- The **Access Management Engine™** (AME) that enables schools to focus Internet content and services to provide significant educational and cultural advantages in the educational environment—and that lets schools experience the Internet according to their unique needs.
- Our **Firewall** ensures that schools maintain the security they've always practiced. TOSHIBA has developed a unique approach to Internet security,

designed to afford protection of your internal network and its sensitive information. This is accomplished through a secure 'multiple LAN' configuration, ensuring that school networks remain completely closed off from the outside world while still allowing them to enjoy all of the Internet services they need. Using three distinct LAN segments, schools are also able to employ public email, Web service, FTP, or Usenet news servers—*without compromising the security of their internal network*.

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- A **Web Cache System** that preserves often-accessed Web pages locally, the ideal situation in a time-critical classroom environment. The

web cache provides time and bandwidth savings by letting schools choose less expensive access connections.

- The **Software Subscription Service** to ensure that educators, supervisors, and technical coordinators have an essentially **maintenance-free** and dynamic solution that makes the Internet easy to manage, curriculum-ready, and comfortable for our teachers to implement.

What's in the Software Subscription Service?

The Software Subscription Service *was designed in response to the way schools are comfortable operating*. Its suite of features was engineered to ensure that your implementation of the Internet is worry-free.

The Software Subscription Service consists of the following elements.

- **Global Chalkboard™ Content Connector**

The Global Chalkboard™ is a K-12 education-specific Web portal containing thousands of sites

selected and reviewed under the supervision of an Education Advisory Board. Sites are organized by listings and sub-listings supporting essential curriculum categories and educational topInternet Select. This resource is available to all educators on the Internet. As part of the INTERNET SELECT solution, the Global Chalkboard Web sites are integrated with the AME and pre-configured as a default “Allowed Community” of Web sites. Global Chalkboard™ Content Connect provides automatic updates as new web sites are added and changed.

Ongoing updates to the Global Chalkboard ensure that it always reflects the latest educational sites, the most up-to-date resources. A default group of sites is always available to bring value into the classroom environment, whether or not an educator personally picks sites for an individual curriculum solution.

New sites added to the Global Chalkboard are regularly and automatically ‘pushed’ to individual schools’ INTERNET SELECT via the Software Subscription Service—the only way to ensure a trouble-free solution to Internet access.



▪ **Automatic technology upgrades**

With the constant activity and sometimes frantic environment of our K-12 schools, anything that keeps schools focused on learning—rather than the technology—is a welcomed feature.

To ensure that the your INTERNET SELECT has the latest technological innovations as they’re developed, the Software Subscription

Service furnishes automatic technology upgrades. Keep in mind that since the INTERNET SELECT is server-based and in regular communication with our Network Center via a secure channel, it’s a natural consequence that new features are immediately available on your system as they’re developed.

There’s nothing to do, nothing to configure, nothing to load. We do the work; you immediately enjoy the benefits.

▪ **Remote backup of configuration files**

The last thing that technical staff should worry about is backing up their configurations, yet it’s an inevitability with any software. We’ve taken care of that, too...

The INTERNET SELECT Software Subscription Service provides automatic, remote backup of all INTERNET SELECT-related configuration files. Your Allowed Lists, group management settings, and configurations are safe and secure. And you don’t need to do a thing.

The benefit? Technical coordinators and network administrators don’t have to back up the INTERNET SELECT to tape, avoiding a cumbersome and time-consuming process. And teachers can be assured that their lists and classroom configurations are secure. *It takes the burden off our schools*, and that saves time and effort. Plus, it’s one less thing to worry about.

Why do we do these things?

From the very beginning, our idea of providing a solution to schools included enriching their environment without disturbing the way educators operate. We offer the Software Subscription Service for one reason: To keep the intent of Internet access focused on providing educational value for the benefits of our students. It provides peace of mind. We like the idea that our schools find the assurances comforting... it means they can focus on our children.

