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Arkansas School District Discovers the Benefits of AVG Anti-Virus Network Edition

Greenwood School District quarantines 80 viruses in three weeks, thanks to Walling Data and AVG Technologies

CLAREMONT, NC July 3rd, 2008 Keith Albertson has been the Network Administrator at Greenwood School District in Greenwood, Arkansas for the past two years. He manages twelve servers and approximately 875 computers across the district, which comprises five schools with about 500 employees and 4,000 students.

With a large, distributed network to protect, Albertson understood that the district needed the kind of anti-virus solution that would protect the students without requiring a lot of resources to manage. When he came on board, the district was running AVG's Free Anti-Virus on each individual computer. This proved better than their previous state of no protection at all, but clearly was not a realistic way to address the security of such an extensive network, as it lacks management features and is designed and licensed for use only on a single home computer.

"Obviously using the AVG Free product was a great start, but we needed something that could be easily monitored and managed by a small IT support staff," said Albertson. "So right before I came on board, the district adopted AVG's Anti-Virus Network Edition. I was very happy to know that such a trusted security solution has been selected, because it would make it much easier for me to keep the network secure and sleep well at night, without worrying what the students, staff, or faculty might be inadvertently loading onto those PCs."

Recently, Albertson and Greenwood School District renewed their AVG licenses for another year and found some interesting surprises along the way.

"When we renewed, we added the management server function to help with network security monitoring," Albertson said. "In the three weeks since we installed it, AVG has found and quarantined more than 80 viruses! I couldn't ask for better protection for our network."

Greenwood School District decided to purchase their AVG licenses through North Carolina based Walling Data Systems, because the company specializes in supplying education and non-profit institutions, and offers attractive discounts to these customers.

[Walling Data Systems](#) is the country's longest-standing distributor of AVG Technologies solutions and the company's highest-volume distributor in North America. Walling specializes in the education and nonprofit sectors, and is the only distributor to offer all customers free, unlimited, U.S.-based support as part of every sale.

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"With more than 800 students going online regularly in the high school alone, and three separate computer labs, it's not surprising that most of the virus infections we find with AVG come from the Internet," Albertson said. "This is why it's so important to have a product like AVG, which quarantines these viruses as soon as they land on the computer, isolating them and disposing of them before they can affect our entire network."



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Albertson has used other security solutions in the past, but agrees that nothing compares to the comprehensive protection and light footprint of AVG.

“AVG doesn’t hog system memory like Norton and McAfee,” Albertson said. “I can see the speed difference, and I don’t see the kind of performance hit that I’ve seen with other ‘brand-name’ products.”

Albertson also loves the free and unlimited support that comes with purchasing through Walling Data. “The first time I called Walling Data Systems was when we renewed our license, and I asked them what our options were,” Albertson said. “My time is limited for this kind of administrative task, so I was happy to find that, when it came to renewal time, I could speak to a human being who could give me expert advice and even provide deployment support for the new management server.”

Adding the management functionality was also an easy process for Albertson. “I just had to schedule a time with Walling that would work best for us to set up the software. They were very prompt when our appointment came – the technician even called in a few minutes early to make sure that we were ready!”

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About Walling Data Systems

Founded in 1994, in North Carolina, Walling Data Systems is a Value-Added Technology Distributor offering innovative high-value solutions to everyday computer security problems for corporate, education, and home technology users. Walling Data was named an Authorized AVG Distributor in 2004 and is the only source for unlimited toll free phone, “We-Do-It-For-You” remote control support, and more for their AVG customers in the United States and Canada, one reason why thousands of customers each month choose Walling as their supplier of choice for AVG products. More information at <http://www.avg-antivirus.net>

About AVG

Founded in 1991 and with offices in the US and Europe, AVG is a leading international developer of Internet threat protection solutions for consumers and SMBs. AVG is one of the fastest growing companies in the industry with more than 70 million active users around the world. The company employs some of the world’s leading experts in Internet security, specifically in the areas of threat research, analysis and detection. AVG’s award-winning products are distributed globally through resellers and over the Internet as well as via third parties through Software Developer’s Kits (SDK).

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