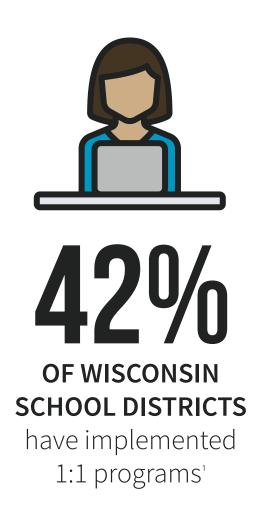
# Wi-Fi & Wisconsin

**Connecting Students Outside the Classroom** 

In schools across Wisconsin and around the country, more districts are implementing digital and web-based learning programs. As teachers continue to embed new technology innovations in the classroom, an enormous gap has emerged between those students with the tools to succeed and those without.

## **DIGITAL LEARNING IS HERE TO STAY**



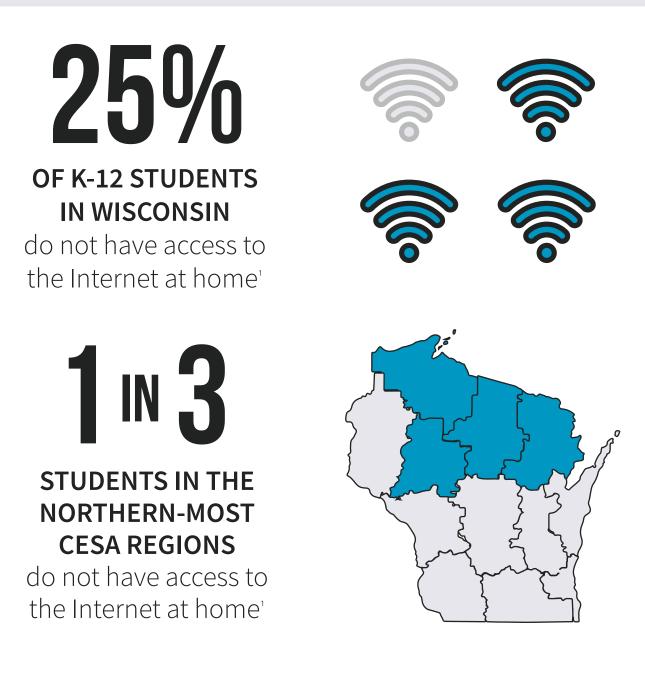


**7** in **1 (**)

**U.S. TEACHERS** assign homework that requires Internet access<sup>2</sup>

## **BUT THERE IS A DISCONNECT**

A large number of low-income students without Internet access at home are finding themselves caught in a widening Homework Gap - struggling to keep up with their more affluent peers.





### WISCONSIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

fewer than half of the students have access to the Internet at home'

## AND IT IS IMPACTING STUDENT SUCCESS

Students affected by the Homework Gap have

Students with tablets & Internet access at





LOWER GRADUATION **RATES** than their connected peers<sup>3</sup>

home scored

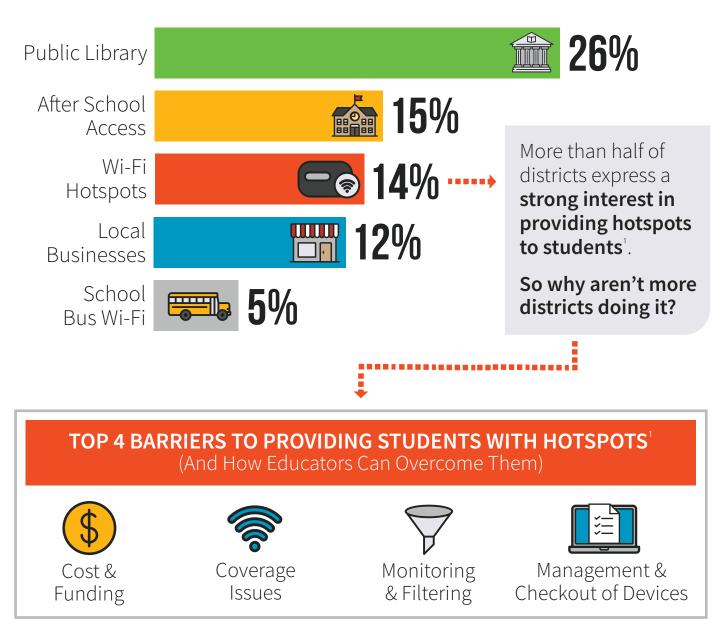


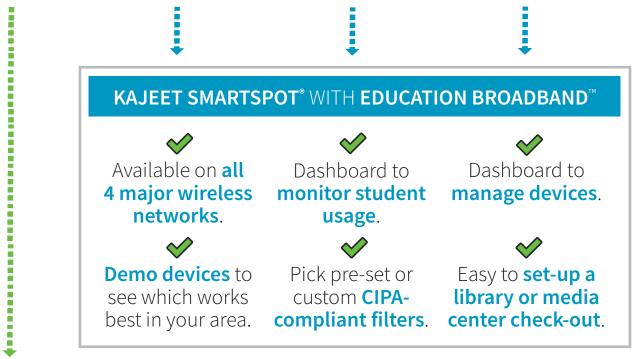
PERCENTAGE POINTS HIGHER ON TESTS than their disconnected peers<sup>4</sup>

## THIS IS NOT A MOMENT, IT'S THE MOVEMENT

Districts across Wisconsin are already taking steps to close the Homework Gap, but there is still a long way to go to ensure all students have access to the tools they need to succeed.

#### HOW WISCONSIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE PROVIDING STUDENTS ACCESS TO INTERNET OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM





#### WISCONSIN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT



The State of Wisconsin approved funds to **expand** broadband Internet for students outside the classroom through the Information Technology Infrastructure Grant.

Grants may be awarded to eligible school districts for the purpose of improving information technology infrastructure, including purchasing and installing Wi-Fi on the bus and purchasing Wi-Fi hotspots for students to borrow from a school.

Rural districts in Wisconsin will be able to use these funds for the **Kajeet SmartSpot**<sup>®</sup> or **SmartBus™** solution.

Learn More About the **Wisconsin Information Technology Infrastructure Grant** 

www.kajeet.net/wisconsin-grant



#### www.kajeet.com

Learn More About **Kajeet Education Broadband<sup>™</sup>SmartSpot<sup>®</sup>** & SmartBus Solutions

#### www.kajeet.net/education-broadband

1. "Digital Inequity in, Wisconsin Schools: A Survey of Students' Access to the Internet When Outside of School", Department of Public Instruction (DPI), March 2017.

2. Rosenworcel, Jessica, "How to Close the Homework Gap", December 2014.

3. "Home Computers and Educational Outcomes: Evidence from the NLSY97 and CPS", Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 2008.

4. "Making Learning Mobile 3.0", Project Tomorrow, 2015.