

SVEConnect offers free Wi-Fi hotspots throughout Marion County

Students, employees can take advantage of the free Wi-Fi hotspots safely from their car

South Pittsburg, TN - Families and individuals are facing great challenges as growing numbers of people are forced to work and attend school from home. As a result of these efforts to increase social distancing during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the need for high-speed internet has never been greater. To help families through this difficult time, SVEConnect will temporarily deploy free Wi-Fi hotspots at several locations throughout Marion County. The service will be available daily from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. while the pandemic is ongoing. The sites will offer high-quality wireless signals utilizing SVEConnect's high-speed fiber network. Individuals parked near the hotspot will be able to connect to the service.

The hotspot sites are:

- South Pittsburg: SVEConnect Wi-Fi trailer parked in gravel parking lot next to Dollar General on Cedar Avenue.
- New Hope: Fire station at 2615 Highway 156, New Hope
- Kimball: Chattanooga State at 2100 Main Street, Kimball
- Jasper: Marion County High School, between school and football field.
- Powell's Crossroads: Fire station at 138 Alvin York Highway, Powell's Crossroads.
- Whitwell: Christian Worship Center at 208 East Spring Street, Whitwell.

In order to access the Wi-Fi service, look for the Wireless SSID named "Student" and choose "connect". This service will work with laptops, tablets, cell phones and other Wi-Fi enabled devices. The free Wi-Fi hotspots are available to SVEC members.

Users of these temporary sites are to be respectful of the areas surrounding the hotspots, as these organizations have been generous in offering their premises for this purpose. Please do not block fire station doors, refrain from depositing trash, creating a noise disturbance or any other activities that might infringe on others' use of the service. Please do not try to enter the premises at any of these locations, the Wi-Fi hotspots are only available in the parking lot at each location.

If you have questions about the service or if for some reason the service stops working, please call SVEConnect technical support, available 24/7 at (423) 837-8605.