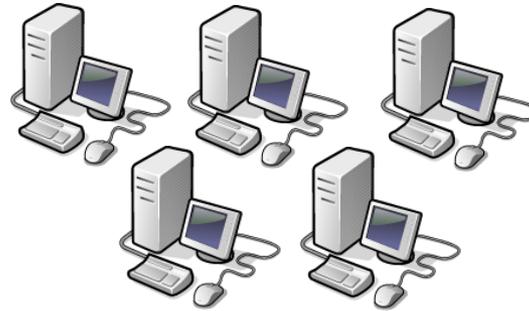


Corrections Off-line Education Platform Secure Classroom Intranet



COEP Server

30+ million educational resources, special portals and curricula for the corrections community, and the capacity to serve custom third-party software. Includes Web 2.0 features like Moodle, a course management system, and the Community Information Portal for teaching IT, Web design, and writing skills.



Computer Lab

One COEP server can be shared by hundreds of workstations on a secure local area network (LAN.) Any operating system and any browser can be used on the client computer. Video, audio, and multimedia files open in seconds.



Wireless Devices

All the COEP content and services can also be accessed using laptops, netbooks, tablets, and media players over a secure wireless network.

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The WiderNet Project is developing an innovative off-line education information server designed specifically for the corrections environment. We seek partners and deployment sites for this innovative way to deliver vocational training, re-entry skills, information literacy, and an Internet-like experience to incarcerated populations.

Over the last twelve years, the WiderNet Project has distributed over 1,000 off-line libraries to institutions in developing countries. Since 2008, the WiderNet Project has been testing the concept in a dozen prisons across the U.S. to demonstrate the potential of off-line libraries to teach marketable job skills and provide educational opportunities.

With thousands of Web sites on board, the COEP "looks and feels" just like the Internet, providing lightning-fast access to over 30 million educational resources including video, audio, books. Moodle, the learning management software is built-in.

To an end user, the COEP – with its search engine, catalog, and wealth of information –

functions exactly like the Internet, hence all the skills gained using the COEP translate effortlessly to the Internet.

Requiring no Internet connection, the COEP is wholly contained on its own server and only accessible over a secure intranet (LAN); so administrators control what information is available in the computer lab. Contains no social media, no porn.

Having surveyed dozens of correctional educators and hundreds of inmates on their information needs, WiderNet librarians have gained permissions from hundreds of authors and webmasters to include the best resources for corrections education in the COEP system. These ongoing efforts are integrally supported by every institution that purchases a COEP server.

WiderNet Project librarians and volunteers are collaborating with corrections educators and community advocates to identify and secure 500,000 documents to create portals that will provide an extensive and complete package of the best-of-class materials to serve the corrections system.

The COEP emphasizes:

- Re-entry skill building
- Life skills
- High school completion
- IT education
- Vocational advice and training
- Computer-based training
- Legal reference materials
- ESL
- Web design
- ...and much more.

More custom interfaces are being designed to make it easier for educators and inmates to quickly locate the right materials.

The WiderNet Project is a nonprofit organization, affiliated with the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The WiderNet Project is dedicated to improving digital communications to all communities and individuals around the world in need of educational resources, knowledge, and training.