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Comprehensive School Communications Streamlining School Communications Safeguarding Students and Faculty

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# We started with a comprehensive school communications system...

Telecenter ICS is the Integrated Communications Solution for all the communication needs within your school. Telecenter ICS delivers the versatility to meet the demands of school communications—from every corner of the school—whether it's the hallway, the front office, the classroom or the gymnasium.

The system's call and communication features minimize disruptions during class time, while keeping faculty and students informed and in touch. Its impressive array of options supports many of the life safety goals of K-12 schools.

### ...then, added critical safety and security features

A fundamental goal of any education facility is to create a safe and secure environment where teachers and students can focus on learning. When emergencies happen, Telecenter ICS allows teachers (and in turn, administrative staff) to respond quickly. A single button emergency call switch lets teachers automatically alert key administrative staff that assistance is needed. In combination with paging, emergency tones, security monitoring, hands-free intercom, and more, Telecenter ICS provides the communication and information options schools need.

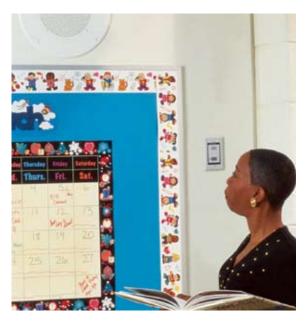
#### Telecenter ICS provides important in-classroom communication features:

**One Touch Call-In:** pressing a single button in the classroom automatically notifies administrative staff of the situation

Automatic Call Routing: if someone does not respond within a predetermined period, the call-in is automatically **rerouted** to other administrative staff, is **voice announced** over select speakers, or can even automatically **reroute** to an **off-site** phone number. With Telecenter ICS no call goes unanswered.

**Strategically mounted speakers:** large, 8-inch wall or ceiling intercom/paging speakers provide clear, full-room coverage while minimizing tampering. Unlike a phone that can be removed from the wall, the intercom speaker always provides a communication path to the classroom.

**Hands-Free Intercom:** No need to disrupt class to walk to a phone. Simply respond from anywhere in the classroom.



### Classroom to Administration Communication

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Most events within a school aren't emergencies, yet are still important and need a quick response. Most call-ins come in during school hours, but your facility is also in use many evenings and on the weekends. Telecenter ICS addresses all these issues by automating and streamlining operations and communications throughout the entire facility.

With the system's flexibility and automatic call routing, Telecenter ICS is on call 24/7. No busy signals or complicated dialing codes. With

Telecenter ICS calls will be answered as quickly as possible.

**Multiple call levels** with the ability to upgrade on the fly. At the classroom, the teacher can determine what type of assistance they need and place the appropriate level of call-in.

**Call priority sorting and stacking:** At the front office or wherever calls are answered, calls display by the type of call and time of placement. The oldest calls and emergency calls are always displayed first.

Automatic call -forwarding: If the secretary has stepped away from their desk or is already on the phone, Telecenter ICS can automatically forward call-ins to another administrative person.

**Visual and audible identification:** Call-ins from classrooms and other areas display their location information on strategically positioned displays and/or sound call reminder tones over selected speakers.

**Announce call-ins:** Telecenter ICS can announce the room number and call priority over designated speaker(s) in your facility: *"Emergency call room two, three, three."* This flexibility is important when there are still staff in the building, but the front office is closed.

After hours call-in routing: After regular school hours, when no one is in the office to answer call-ins, Telecenter ICS can automatically pick up an outside telephone and route calls to any phone number, including an off-site security office.



For emergencies and events that affect the entire school, facilitywide paging to classroom, hallway, and outside speakers ensure that everyone is informed. When response time is critical, Telecenter ICS saves precious seconds.

**Emergency tones:** pressing a single button in the front office or from key administrative telephones can send emergency tones throughout the school. Up to ten different tone types are available to signify different events.

**One touch emergency paging:** No second-guessing in an emergency; pressing a single button in the front office immediately connects a microphone to every speaker inside and outside the school. An administrator has this same capability from any front office or dialing classroom phone (using a PIN code).

Automatic voice messages: Telecenter ICS voice prompting can give preset instructions: "Fire alarm, proceed to the exit." No one even needs to press a button. As soon as the pull station is activated on the fire alarm system, the Telecenter ICS automatically makes the emergency announcement over every classroom and hallway speaker. With the built-in vocabulary, messages can be customized for different type of events.

# Paging: Throughout the Facility or Only Select Areas

Announcements are part of life in the K-12 environment, but there are times when only select groups need to be notified. Telecenter ICS offers that flexibility.

**Direct pages to all or select speakers:** corridors, gyms, playground, 1st floor classrooms; up to sixteen unique groups of speakers.

**Page from anywhere:** Paging from designated office phones, a centrally located microphone or any classroom with the use of a PIN code. If an emergency arises, administrative staff can use *any* dialing telephone within the facility to initiate a page or send emergency tones.

**Preprogrammed timed pages:** Some routine events require informational voice direction rather than tones ("first grade lunch period"). Telecenter ICS allows up to sixteen preprogrammed messages to automatically announce throughout the facility, or only select areas, at specific times throughout the day. No staff interaction is required.

# Security Monitoring: An Option for Every Room with Telecenter ICS

Your school has labs, computer facilities and a media center, all of which present special loss prevention challenges even during normal hours of operation. Your main security system typically covers all the key entrances and exits in your facility but now you can monitor any classroom or area covered by Telecenter ICS. The security options include:

Security monitoring of doors and windows; especially important for rooms with expensive equipment inside.

**Arm and disarm** areas or individual rooms from any dialing telephone within the facility, using a PIN code. If the computer lab teacher needs to leave the lab for several minutes in the middle of the day, they simply arm the Telecenter ICS security monitoring as they leave.

**Flexible alert notification:** As with any Telecenter ICS call, a security alarm can route to a front office phone, announce over selected speakers "security alarm room four, eight, one," and/or dial an off-site security office telephone. To minimize vandalism, the Telecenter ICS can even announce the security alarm over the speakers in the room where the alarm occurred.

### Keep Schools Running Smoothly: Clocks and Class Change Tones

Telecenter ICS keeps your entire facility on schedule—effortlessly. The system offers a variety of class change tones options that can be scheduled and synchronized with clocks to keep the school day moving.

**Multiple class change schedules:** No need to worry about teacher training days, half days, vacations days, or tones sounding outside when it's summer vacation. Telecenter ICS can be programmed for up to eight of your most common school days: full day, half day, parent/teacher conference, vacation, holidays and more.

**Automatically switch between schedules:** Let Telecenter ICS know which days are vacation, half days, etc., and the system will automatically switch to the class change schedule for those days.

**Not just one type of bell tone:** Automatically sound different tones in different areas—one type of tone for the gym class, a second tone for primary class changes—over ten unique tones are available.

**Music during class change:** break up the noise of class change by playing music between class periods. Once the music stops, everyone should be in their classrooms.

### **Voice Prompts & Streamlined Operation**

Telecenter ICS is powerful and flexible, but it's also easy to learn and use.

Telecenter ICS uses **computer-generated voice prompts** to guide users through daily system activities: for instance, selecting a bell schedule or announcing a room call-in.

**One button operation:** Using the speed-dial buttons on your telephone or Telecenter ICS switch panels you can operate bells, paging, intercom at the touch of a button.

### **Music & Program Distribution**

"The Star Spangled Banner" in all classrooms. The school anthem during class changes. It's music you choose from any source.

Automatic or manual music and program delivery to all or select speakers.

**Distribute music on the fly:** Simply cue up your music and then use your telephone to tell Telecenter ICS where to send it.

Compatibility with any music source: radios, CDs, cassettes and MP3 players.

Clock correction and Atomic Time synchronization: Keep everything in synch; Telecenter ICS corrects secondary clocks in the classrooms and corridors and automatically changes time for daylight savings. As an option, the Telecenter ICS time can be synchronized to national atomic time. You never need to correct the time and if you have Telecenter systems throughout your district, the entire district can be synchronized to the same time.





### Stand Alone or Integrated Telephone Operation

You may already have or are planning to purchase an in-house phone system. Telecenter ICS makes sure all your internal communication requirements are covered including call-in, intercom, paging, class change tone, emergency tones, and more—everything you need for safe and efficient school communication.

**Designed for schools:** Telecenter ICS was designed specifically for schools so it fills in all the internal communication gaps left by a typical phone system.

**Integrates seamlessly** with almost any telephone system (VoIP, PBX, EKSU, or Hybrid). Telecenter ICS also integrates with Centrex service. One button on your telephone connects you with the Telecenter ICS system.

**Classroom telephones:** If you've decided to add classroom telephones to your telephone system, the Telecenter ICS classroom intercom/ paging speaker and call switch work with the classroom phone. When privacy is needed, with a single button press a Telecenter ICS intercom conversation with a classroom can be rerouted to the associated classroom telephone. If a classroom doesn't have a call switch, a pre-programmed speed dial code on the phone can place an intercom call-in on Telecenter ICS.

**Dedicated system:** You can operate Telecenter ICS as a standalone system; Telecenter ICS doesn't require a telephone system to operate. A standalone Telecenter ICS system can have up to four administrative consoles to access all of the system's features.

### Expandability and Flexibility—plus the Security of a 5-Year Warranty

Telecenter ICS was designed to accommodate your facility no matter the size, existing wiring infrastructure, and communications equipment locations. Telecenter ICS can satisfy your current needs while



providing the flexibility to grow for the future. The 5-year manufacturers warranty from Rauland-Borg assures you of quality and performance.

**Capacity:** Telecenter ICS grows to accommodate up to 350 stations including speakers and call switches.

**Installs using common cabling:** Shielded or Category 5—no need to install a custom cable plant just for Telecenter ICS. You can utilize



unused data drops from your Category 5 data cable plant.

**Installs where you have the space:** You don't need an equipment rack for systems up to seventy classrooms—the Telecenter ICS simply sits on desktop or shelf.

Supports remote troubleshooting and configuration: Telecenter ICS saves on non-productive technician travel time. All system configuration changes can be handled remotely via an optional telephone modem interface or an optional Ethernet connection on your school's/district's data LAN/WAN.



More than a quarter century ago, Rauland-Borg's first generation of Telecenter systems addressed the specific needs of telecommunications in the K-12 environment. Telecenter ICS has taken a giant step forward in offering a system that addresses today's special school communication needs while providing a platform for tomorrow.

To learn more about Telecenter ICS, call Rauland-Borg at 800.752.7725 or visit us on the web at www.rauland.com/telecentrics.htm



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