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# KanOkla Chatter

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## How Efficient is Your Wireless Router?

Mobility, flexibility, convenience, and ease of use are all factors we think of when talking about our home wireless networks. The home router has morphed over the years to a simplistic setup with user friendly interfaces and layman's language for anyone to complete the basic installation. But what happens when we start to notice video buffering or websites taking more than 30 seconds to load? Our first knee jerk reaction is to blame the internet provider for a slow connection or overselling their amount of bandwidth, only to find out the problem was caused by your home network. Here are some tips for router efficiency you can use to troubleshoot and modify your home network.



- Router placement is the key – for optimal performance and range, place your router in the center of the home away from walls and obstructions.
- Shorten the distance between your router and devices – the farther away from your router your laptop, phone, or tablet is, the weaker the signal. If this is a hard task, you may need to look at purchasing a wireless range extender.
- Upgrade to the latest Wi-Fi technologies – with the advancement of wireless devices in the home, bandwidth consuming habits such as video can slow a network down. If your current router is Wireless A, B, G, and N, you may consider upgrading to Wireless AC.
- Reduce wireless interference – nearby wireless networks, cordless telephones, microwaves, even baby monitors can wreak havoc on a router's signal and cause dropped coverage. You can distance your router away from these devices if possible or you can change the channel & SSID on your router.
- Separate bandwidth using applications – some routers have the ability or tool to prioritize your most needed applications.
- Upgrade the firmware – on occasion outdated firmware can cause poor performance of the router. Also to watch for are updates that are sent from the router manufacturer.

These are some of the efficiency tips we found that could help your Wi-Fi signal prior to calling in to Tech Support about a slow connection. Happy surfing!

*Eric Eaton, Marketing Manager*

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**Kids bored this summer...**

Are you hearing those dreaded words...“I’m bored”? There are so many kid websites to help with the “I’m bored” disease.

- To bake or make there are 26 easy recipes for kids to make and enjoy. Ice cream in a bag, kiddie crunch mix, and apple peanut butter stackers at [www.tasteofhome.com/collection/easy-recipes-for-kids-to-make-by-themselves/view-all/](http://www.tasteofhome.com/collection/easy-recipes-for-kids-to-make-by-themselves/view-all/).
- Outdoor fun...does anyone really need a website to help with outdoor fun? There are some good websites to give some ideas for summer fun such as [www.parenting.com/family-time/activities/10-awesomely-messy-outdoor-activities-kids](http://www.parenting.com/family-time/activities/10-awesomely-messy-outdoor-activities-kids). But why not bike ride, swim, treasure hunt, flashlight tag game, run through sprinklers, or build a fort are all great activities to build memories and friendships.
- Read, one can never get enough of the adventures books can bring. If you don't have a local library there are on-line options: **Hoopla, Tumble Book Library, Storyline on-line, Oxford Owl, and Open Library just to name a few. Tip: Your local library is the best source!**
- Educational, is very endless as one has PBS Kids lab, Brainpop, National Geographic for kids, or Discovery Kids.
- Do something helpful is a no brainer...help an elderly neighbor, help around the house by doing the dreaded chores, or volunteer in your community.

Don't forget to search KanOkla's Science Sam on KanOkla Marketing You Tube. The Wacky Scientist has all kinds of experiments and things to do! So kids, go out there and make this a great summer...enjoy it!

**B**ake or make  
**O**utdoors!  
**R**ead!  
**E**ducational  
**D**o someting helpful



KanOkla Networks wishes all of you a happy and safe 4th of July!  
KanOkla Networks will be closed at all locations to celebrate with family and friends.



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**Old Router vs New Router**

How old is your wireless router? It is essential for your router to support your internet speed. Picture this; your internet speed is like a busy eight lane highway blasting to your router but your router is holding up a yield sign, “Warning single lane highway ahead, slow down!”

**Solution: Contact KanOkla for Safe-guard Network for only \$5.95 a month. Free wireless router, with remote manage, no need to worry about set up, and if the router hits a “speed bump” KanOkla will replace it.**



Come and surf with us at the Barber County Fair!  
July 27th and 28th

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Protecting your digital life

**MONEY back to YOU!**  
Be looking for your Capital Credit check the first of July!

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**Calendar of Events**

**South Haven Sr. Center**, will be serving breakfast every Monday in July at the Senior Center, 7:00a.m. - 9:00a.m.

**July**  
27th-29th **Barber County Fair, Hardtner**. For more details go to [www.barber.k-state.edu/county-fair/](http://www.barber.k-state.edu/county-fair/).

**August**  
3rd-5th **Sumner County Fair, Caldwell**. For more details go to [www.sumnercountyksfair.com](http://www.sumnercountyksfair.com).  
23rd **South Haven Fair Bracelet Night, South Haven**.  
24th-25th **South Haven Fair**. Details at South Haven Fair Association facebook page.