AVAST Free for Education Program

What AVAST offers for free

Free-of-charge security solutions for small, unmanaged networks or single installations for Windows, Mac, or Android OS, as well as managed avast! Endpoint Protection Suite for larger endpoint and server deployments.

Who is eligible

Any public or non-profit educational institution / education organization (this includes grades K-12 or higher, vocational / trade schools, head start programs or other entities with educational purposes under 501(c) of the IRS Publication 557 - Organization Reference Chart section) or public library, operating in the United States (includes all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, Marianas, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands). Learn more in The Eligibility and Participation Requirements.

Product name	avast! Endpoint Protection Suite	avast! Free Antivirus	avast! Free Antivirus for Mac	avast! Free Mobile Security
Managed	✔	✘	✘	✘
Operation Systems	Windows / Mac*)	Windows	Mac	Android
Usage	Network deployment 5 - 30,000 devices	Single installs or SOHO network	Single installs or SOHO network	Single installs
System requirements	Datasheet	Datasheet	Datasheet	Datasheet

*) Mac OS X included in Q1 2013

How to apply for avast! Endpoint Protection Suite

1. Apply on www.avast.com/en-us/education via online Application Form
2. Specify number of computers and servers to be protected under the license
3. Receive the license to specified email

Duration

As long as there is ample interest, we intend to provide the AVAST Free for Education Program. Of course, AVAST reserves the right to discontinue the Program, with at least a one-year notice given to the Educational Institution, to provide sufficient time to execute any changes resulting from the Program's discontinuation.

Support

AVAST can't provide support for free to all participating educational institutions, but we will do our best to help. Of course, you can use the avast! Forum, where thousands of AVAST enthusiasts support other users 24/7, or you can contact a local avast! Business Partner for paid-for support. Please see our Support tab.

About AVAST

AVAST (www.avast.com) protects over 170 million active devices with our security and antivirus applications. Our portfolio includes the new avast! Free Antivirus for Mac; avast! Free Mobile Security for Android; our flagship avast! Free Antivirus, the free computer security application that matches or exceeds the performance of competitors' paid-for products; the premium avast! Internet Security with SafeZone™ virtualized desktop; and a full range of business IT security solutions. Anchored by the CommunityIQ network of sensors and supported by multiple protective shields, avast! performance is certified by, among others, VB100, AV-Comparatives, ICSA Labs, and West Coast Labs.

Product comparision

Streaming updates

With avast! streaming updates, you get each virus signature sent to you in real time, via connection to the avast! Virus Lab cloud, rather than needing to wait for traditional database updates a few times per day. Every day, the avast! Virus Lab reviews as many as 50,000 suspicious files and adds common signatures for over 30,000 new viruses. With continuous updates and faster delivery of virus definitions, your security will be even greater.

File reputation

FileRep lets you know whether a file is safe before you open it – determined in part by how many people have the file and how new the file is. The technology is also used internally, to help the scanning engine make more intelligent decisions.

Browser sandboxing

Enabled by a single mouse click, it allows you to completely isolate the browser from the rest of the system – even if the browser gets hijacked, your system stays clean.

Comparison with avast! Endpoint Protection Suite	avast! Endpoint Protection Suite	Symantec Endpoint Protection	McAfee Endpoint Protection Suite	Kaspersky Business Space Security	AVG Anti-Virus Business Edition
Pricing information	Free	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
Client protection					
Antivirus and anti-spyware engine	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Real-time anti-rootkit protection	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Antispam filter	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘
Antiphishing	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Browsing security - Protection from accessing infected sites	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Browsing security - Warning on search results	✔	✔	✔	✘	✔
Boot-time scanner	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘
Streaming, real-time virus database updates	✔	✔	✘	✘	✘
File reputation detection	✔	✔	✔	✔	✘
Server Protection					
Antispam filter	✘	✔	✔	✘	✔
Integrated file server protection	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Integrated email server protection	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘
Administration Console					
Installs on Server or Desktop OS	both	both	only server	both	both
Accessible from anywhere	✔	✘	✔	✘	✘
Working with active directory	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Working in workgroup	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Works in domain	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Compatibility					
Windows	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
Linux	✘	✔	✘	✔	✘
Mac OS X	Q1 2013	✔	✘	✔	✘