

Google Storage at ISU





Background Information

- Google Suite for Education contract offered free usage and unlimited storage space at the time ISU moved to Google
- In recent years, Google has shifted to a "Pay for usage" business model with strict data storage caps
- This change applies to all K-12, colleges, and universities using the Google Suite for Education
- ISU is impacted by this change now as we work to get below our quota by the end of the fiscal year





Terabytes (TB)

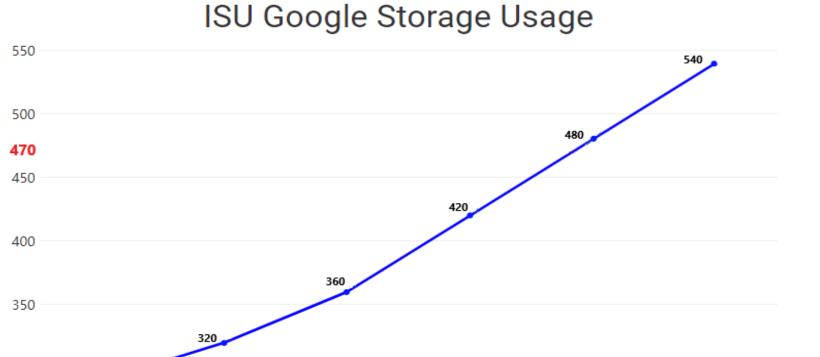
300

250

290

June '21

January '22



January '23

June '23

February '24

June '22

★ Storage Usage ★ ISU Limit





Google Storage Management

- Google storage limits need to be in place
 - Individuals by role
 - Shared Drives
 - Departmental accounts
- The Google photos app will be disabled within all university google accounts
 - Please refer to the FAQs or contact the help desk if you need assistance relocating University related photos and videos





Google Storage Limits

Role Centric Model*

- Faculty (and Emeritus): 50 GB
- Adjunct Faculty: 30 GB
- Affiliate Faculty, Staff, and Temporary Employees: 20 GB
- Student: 10 GB
- Alumni (not employees) and Retirees: 5 GB (email only)
- Department: 20 GB
- Shared Drives: 20 GB
- Service/Club Accounts: 10GB

*Note an individual will be granted the higher storage limit if they belong to more than one role; it is not cumulative





How you can help

- Review your storage usage and engage in a cleanup process For example:
 - Remove photos from google photos app copy work related photos and videos to Drive or to Box
 - Remove unnecessary, unneeded and personal documents and emails
 - Migrate work-related documents to a shared drive or departmental folder





Additional Information

- https://www.isu.edu/its/google-storage-limits/
- Information sessions and additional messaging will be sent throughout this process and beyond
- ISU Service desk is available for any questions not covered in documentation





Timeline

April 15 - Google photos will be disabled

May 1 - All university accounts should be under the storage limit allocated per role





Digital Storage Task Force

The charge:

- Identify all digital storage needs
- Inventory all ISU current digital storage solutions
- Recommend holistic digital storage solutions
- Recommend best practices for digital storage
- Determine financial impact of recommendations
- Recommend policy





Questions?

