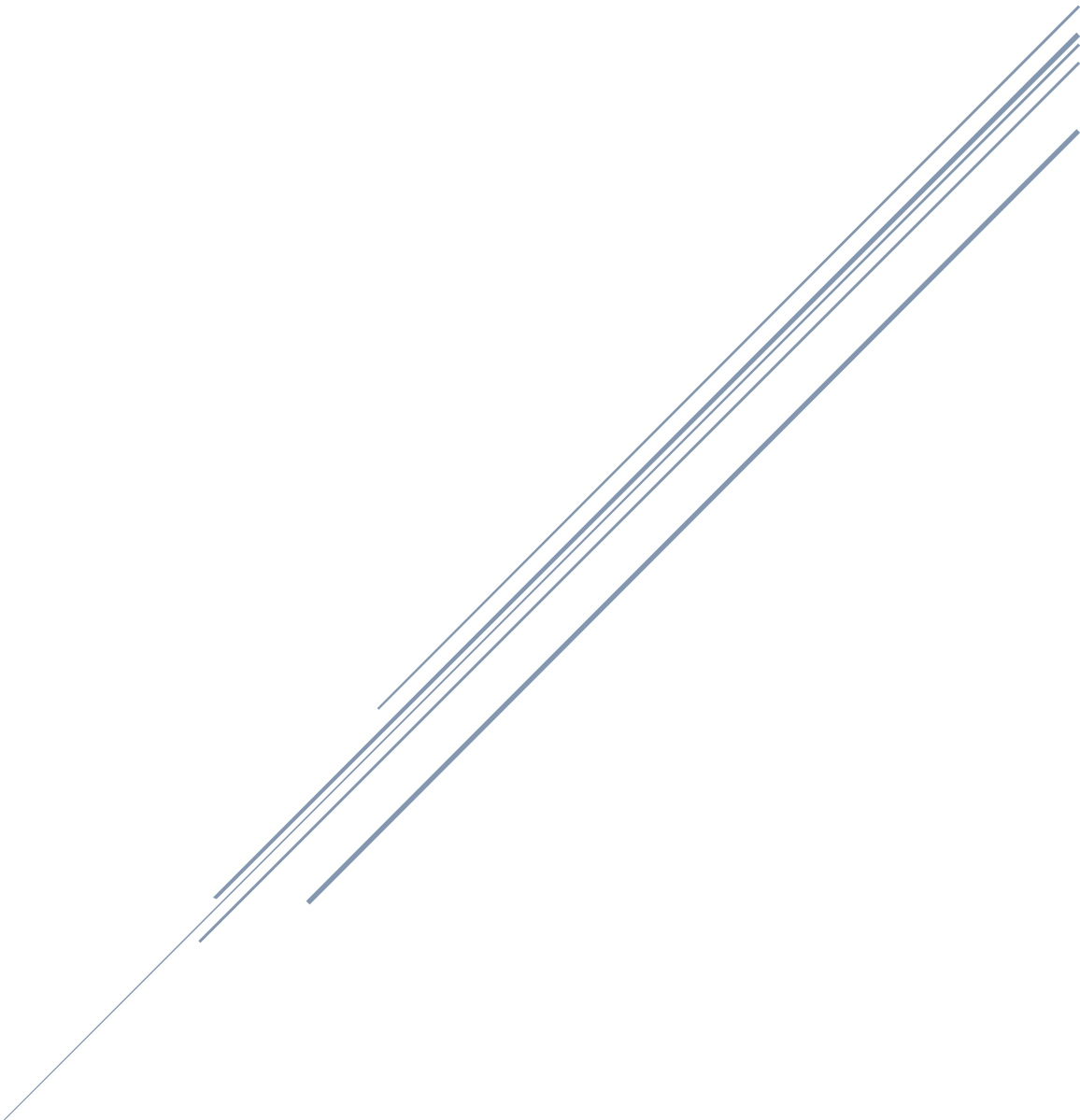


# APSCN VPN SETUP

F5 VPN



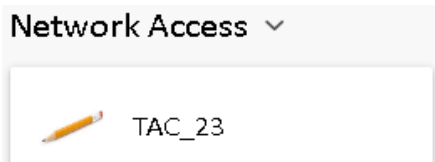
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## Description of Role Access

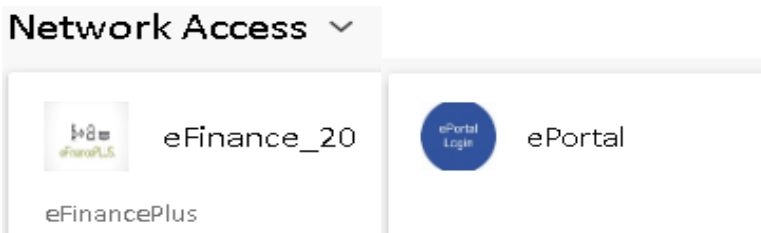
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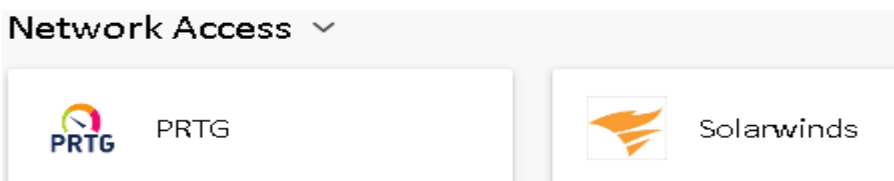
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## Windows OS F5 VPN Setup

As of October 2018 you no longer have to use Internet Explorer ONLY to set up the VPN. This will work on any browser.

1. Go to <https://apscnvpn.k12.ar.us>
2. You will see a **Secure Login** for APSCN and an AUP

Secure Logon  
for APSCN Networks

Username (0000jdoe)

Password

Please select one of the following options  
Teachers ▾

Logon

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STATE OF ARKANSAS  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS USE ONLY - UNAUTHORIZED USE OR ACCESS IS PROHIBITED  
WARNING ! WARNING ! WARNING ! WARNING ! WARNING !  
THIS SYSTEM CONTAINS STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION. ONLY AUTHORIZED USERS MAY ACCESS THIS SYSTEM. AND ANY AUTHORIZED USE OF THE SYSTEM, NETWORK OR INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN MUST BE RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS OR BUSINESS. BY ACCESSING AND USING THIS SYSTEM, YOU ARE CONSENTING TO SYSTEM MONITORING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER PURPOSES. UNAUTHORIZED USE OF, OR ACCESS TO, THIS COMPUTER SYSTEM MAY SUBJECT YOU TO STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AND PENALTIES, AS WELL AS CIVIL PENALTIES, OR BOTH.

3. In the window, enter your **username** and **password**.  
**Eg. 0000jdoe**

Secure Logon  
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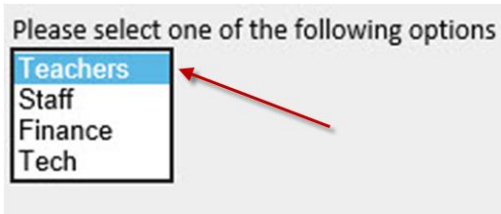
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Password  
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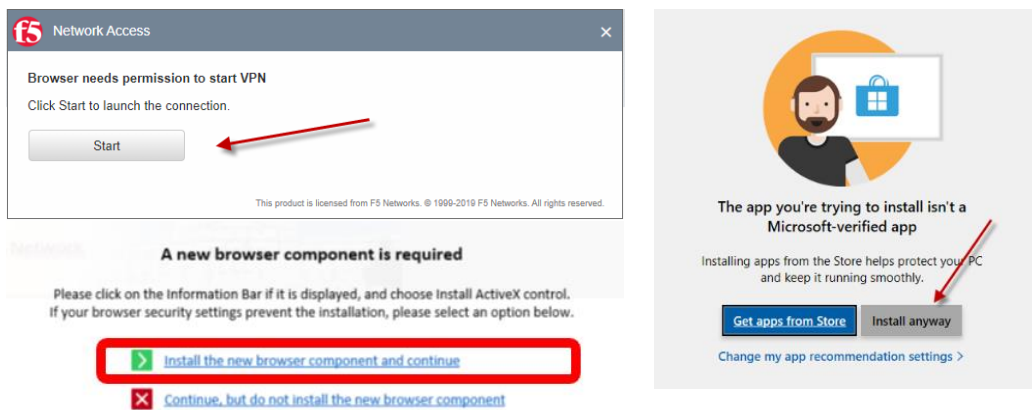
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Logon

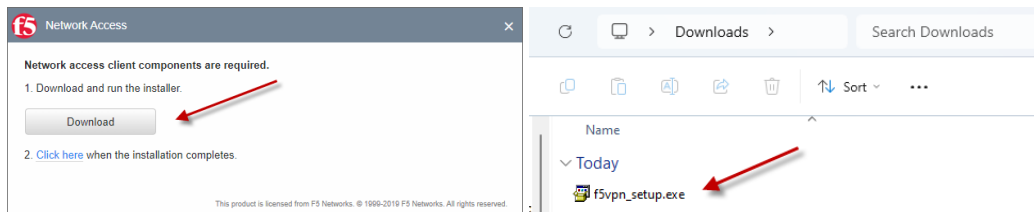
4. Choose your role and **Click Logon**



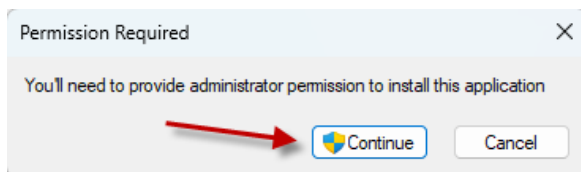
5. If you are accessing this website for the first time on a workstation, you will see a prompt to install a new browser component. Depending on which browser you are using, you may have different prompts. **Click Install or Start** to begin the installation of the new component.



6. After you click install, the f5vpn\_setup.exe will be downloaded to the download location. This will need to be installed.



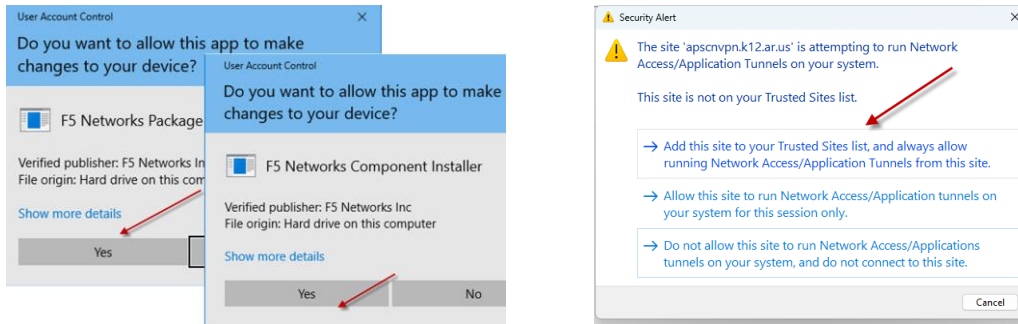
7. If prompted for administrative privileges, **Click Continue** to install the application.



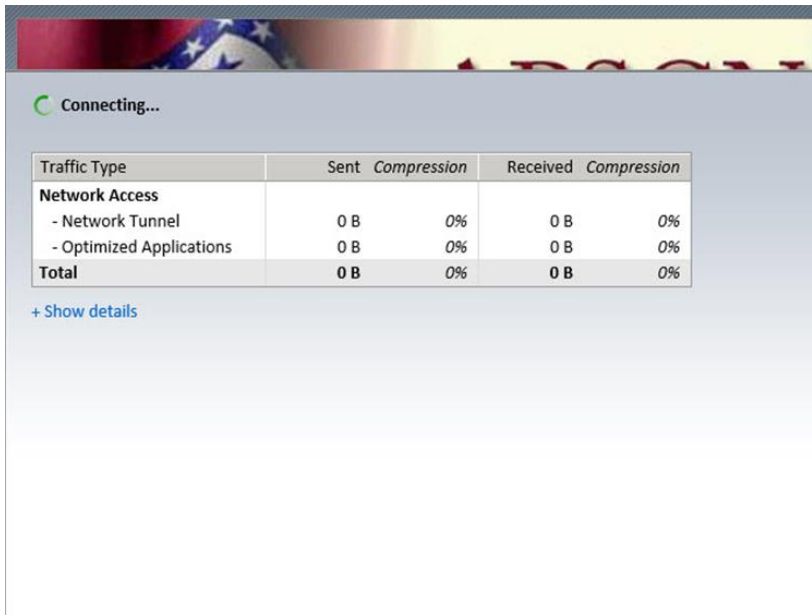
8. Once the installation is complete, return to the popup and select Option 2 **Click Here** to continue the setup process.



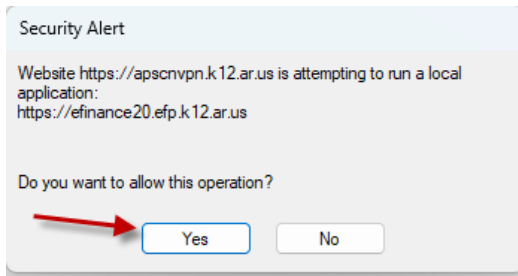
9. You may be prompted for several installation prompts. Please make sure you select the affirmative answer for each prompt (yes or allow). If prompted for the F5 Package Installer, **Click Yes**



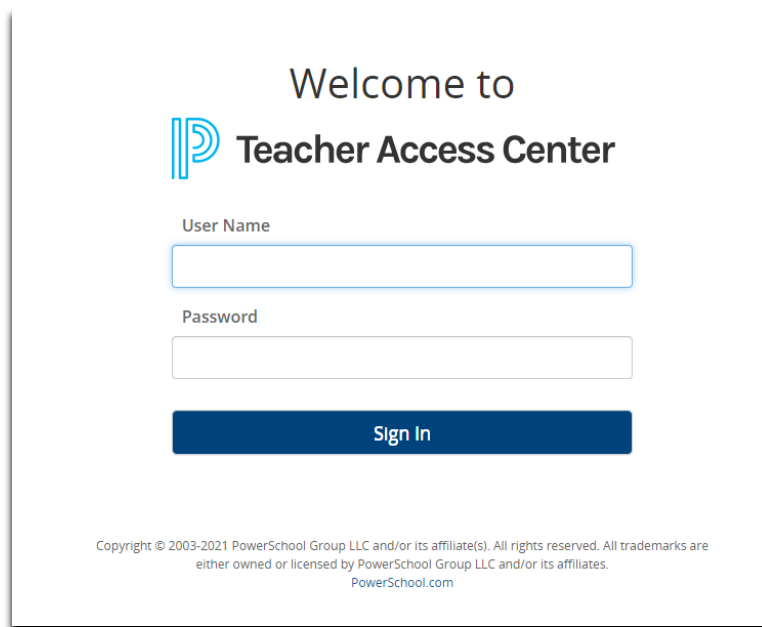
10. The box will appear that connects to the VPN tunnel. It shows the status as you connect to the APSCN VPN



11. A security alert will prompt you to run a local application. **Click Yes**



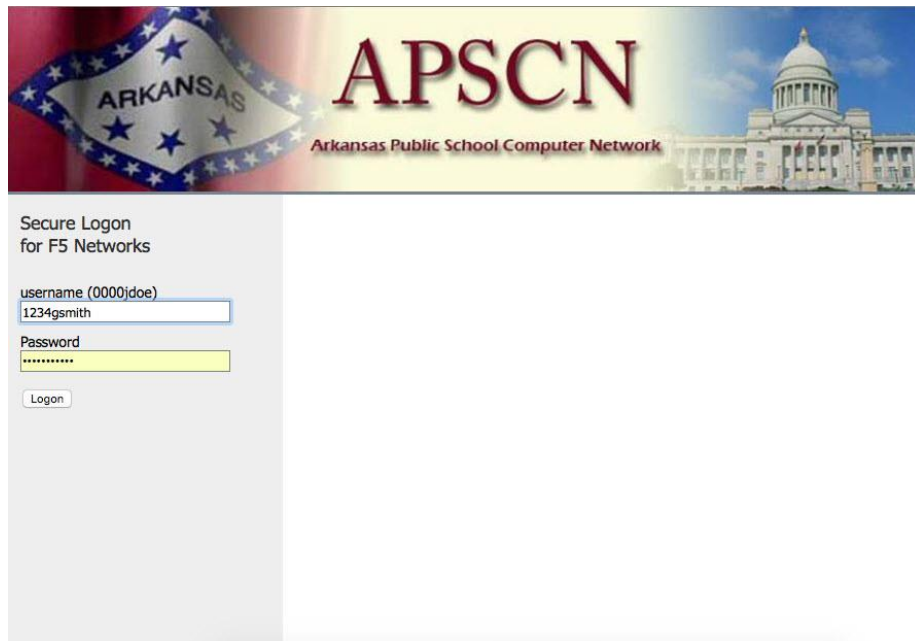
12. The VPN will bring up the eSchool environment using your **DEFAULT BROWSER**.



## MAC OS F5 VPN Setup

As of October 2018 you no longer have to use Safari to set up the VPN. This will work on any browser.

1. Go to <https://apscnvpn.k12.ar.us>
2. You will see a Secure Login for APSCN and an AUP



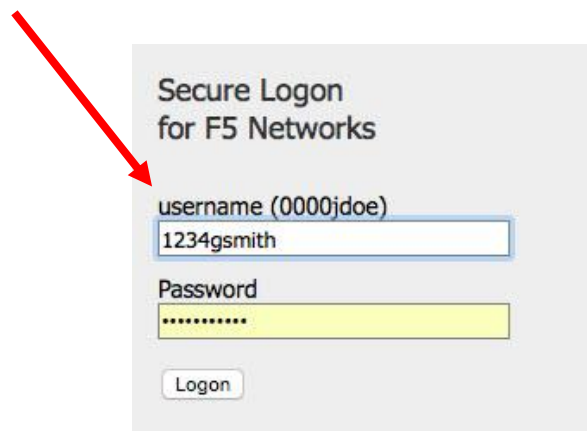
Secure Logon  
for F5 Networks

username (0000jdoe)  
1234gsmith

Password  
\*\*\*\*\*

Logon

3. In the window, enter your **username** and **password**.  
**Eg. 0000jdoe**



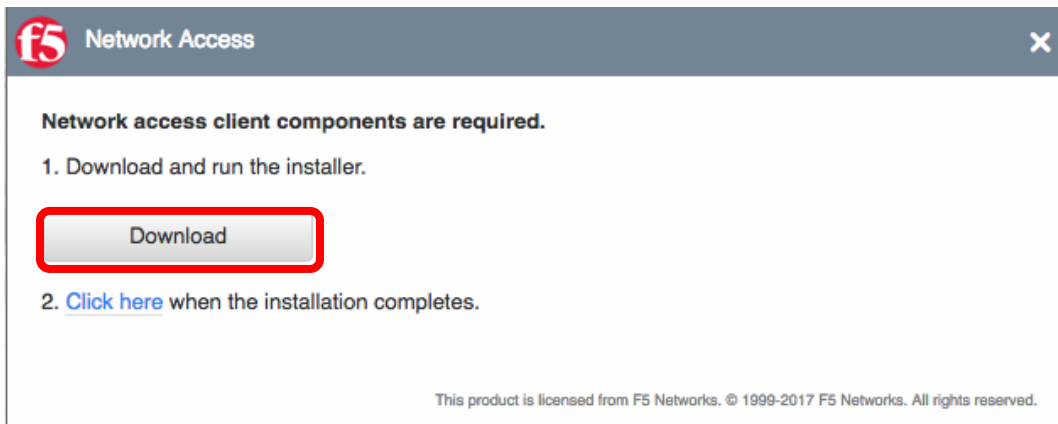
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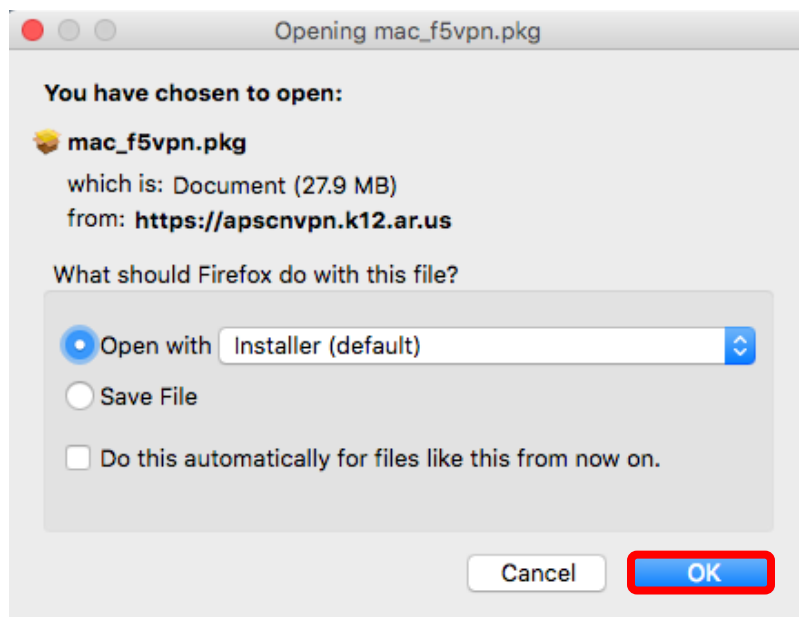
Password  
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Logon

4. If you are accessing this website for the first time on a workstation, it will attempt to start a wizard to download the plugin. **Click on the link to Download**

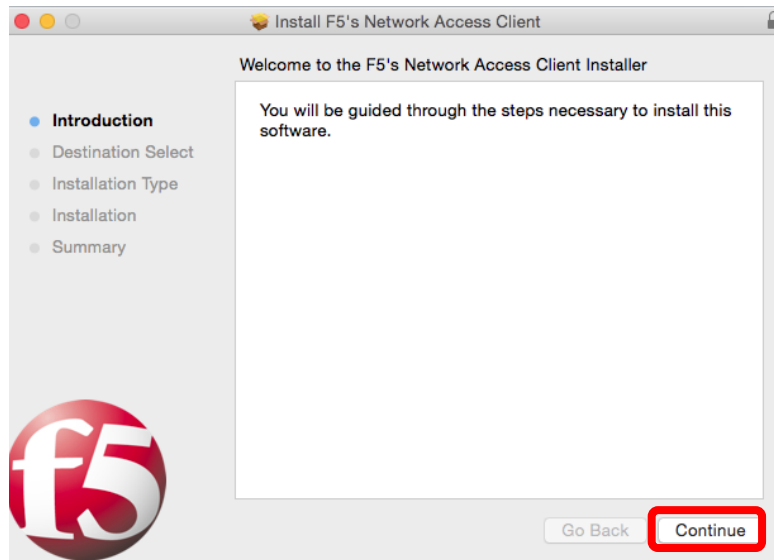


5. When prompted, click **Ok**. (If you choose save file, open your download folder and **Install**)

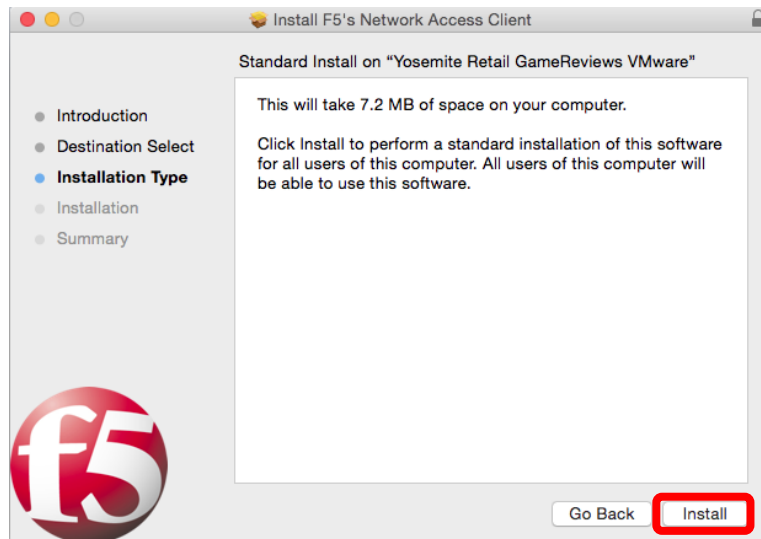




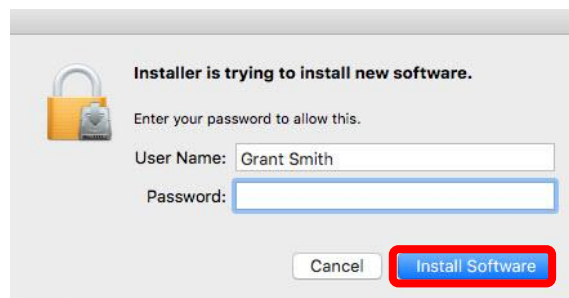
6. After the program runs, the F5's Network Access Client Installation Wizard window displays. On the Introduction page **Click Continue**



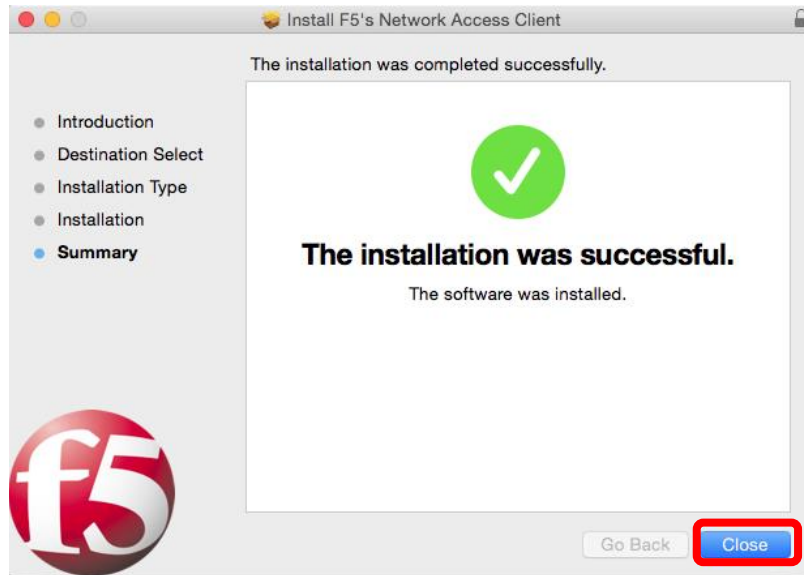
7. On the Installation Type page, **click Install**



8. If prompted for credentials, enter the **password** and **Click Install Software**



9. Once the installation is complete, **Click Close**



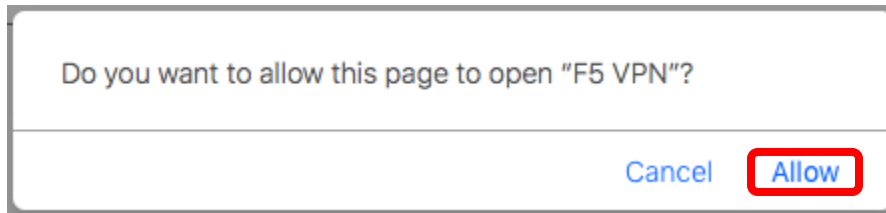
10. You will be prompted to open the F5 VPN. Click **Start** to launch the connection



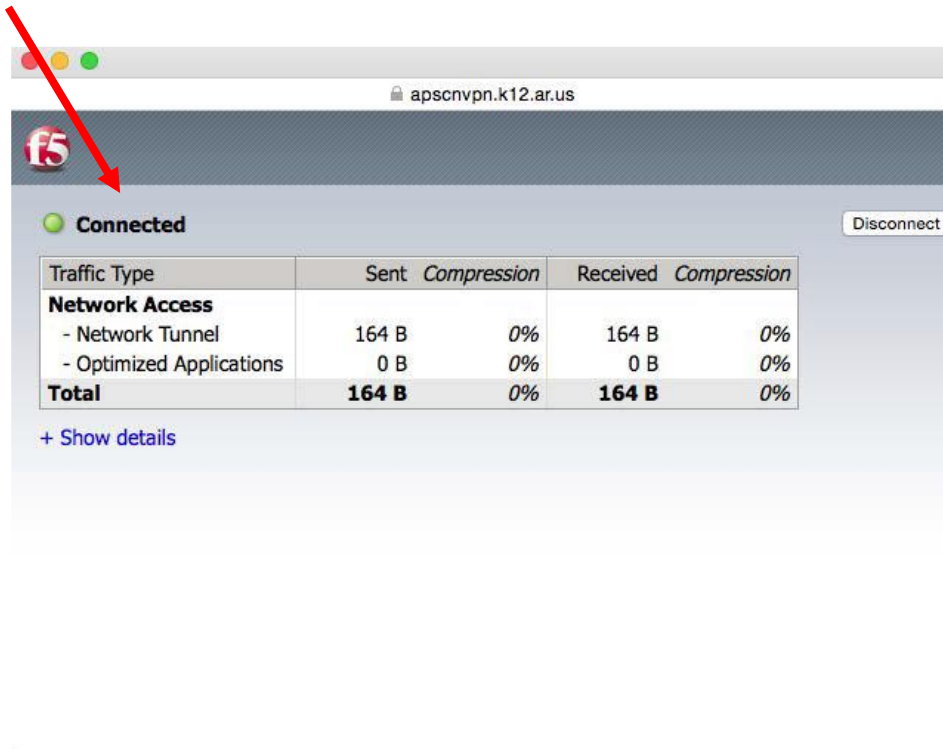
11. You may receive a security warning to allow the VPN to connect. Choose **“Always allow VPN connection from this site”**.



12. Click **Allow** if prompted.



13. Once connected, you can access the environment.

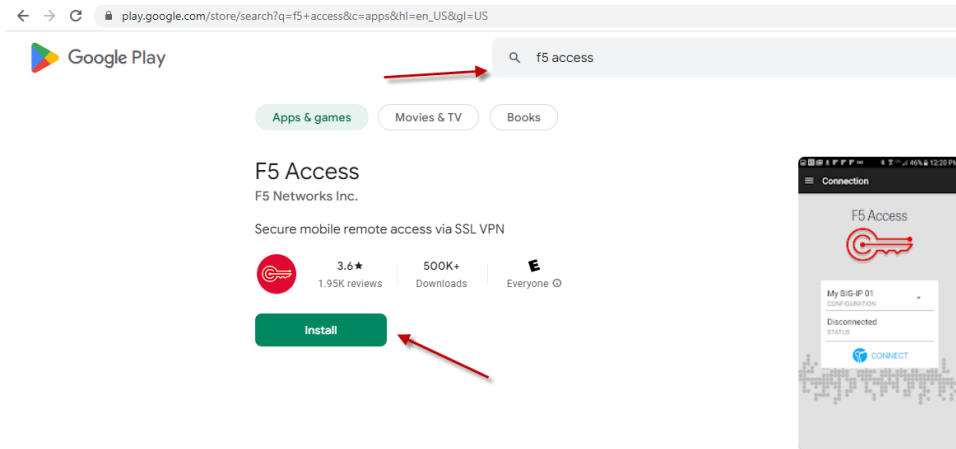


**\*NOTE\*** Open a new tab or browser when connecting to the environment. If you close the connected tab/browser, your VPN will disconnect.

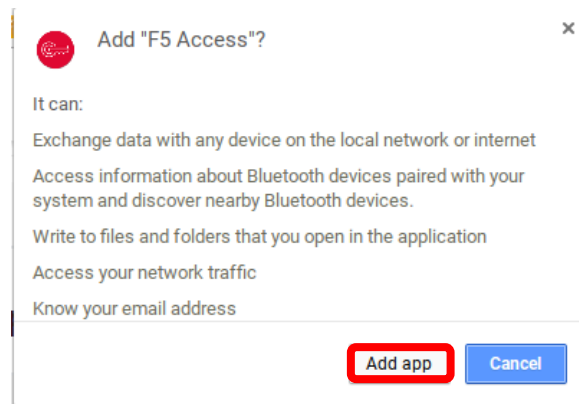
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## Chrome OS F5 VPN Setup

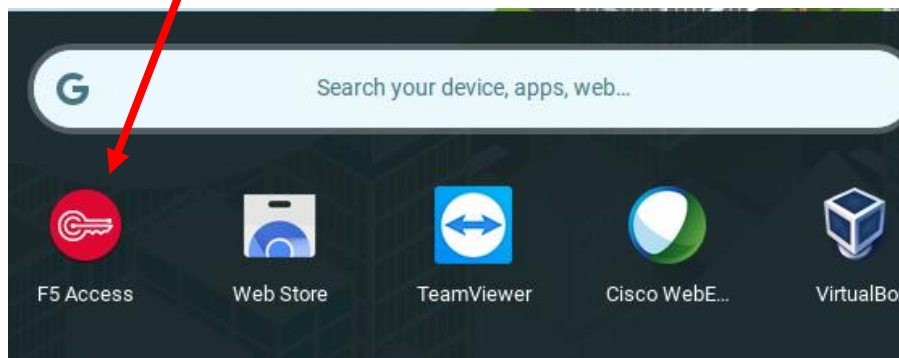
1. Open **Google Play Store** on your Chromebook
2. In Google Play Store, search for **F5 Access** and click **Add to Chrome**



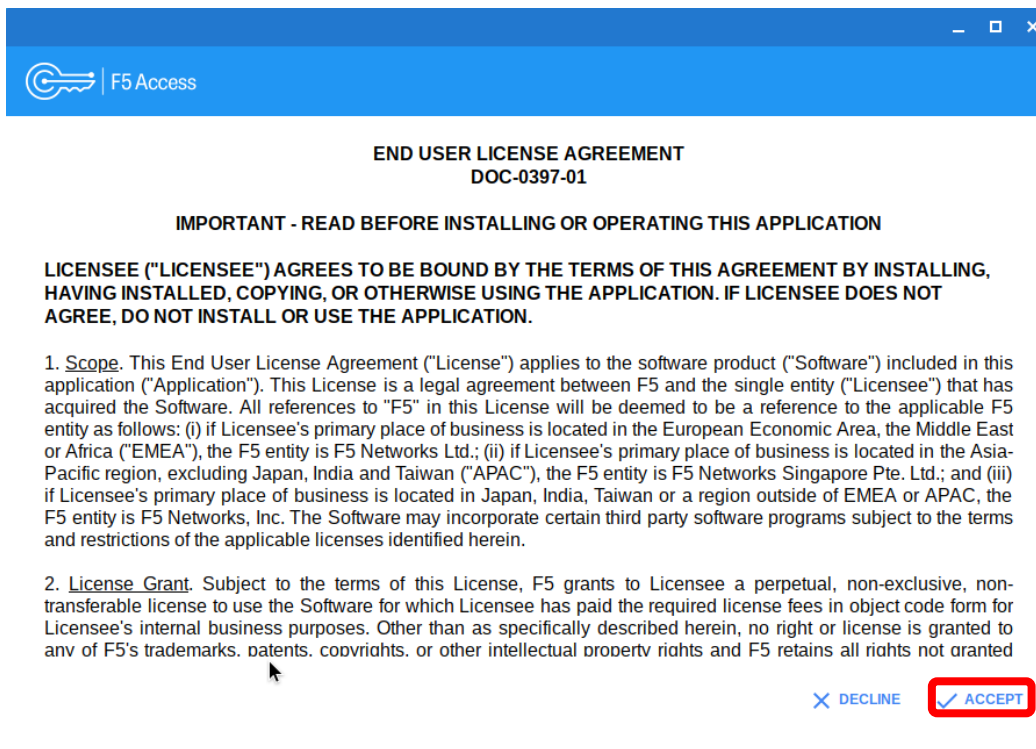
3. Click on **Add app**



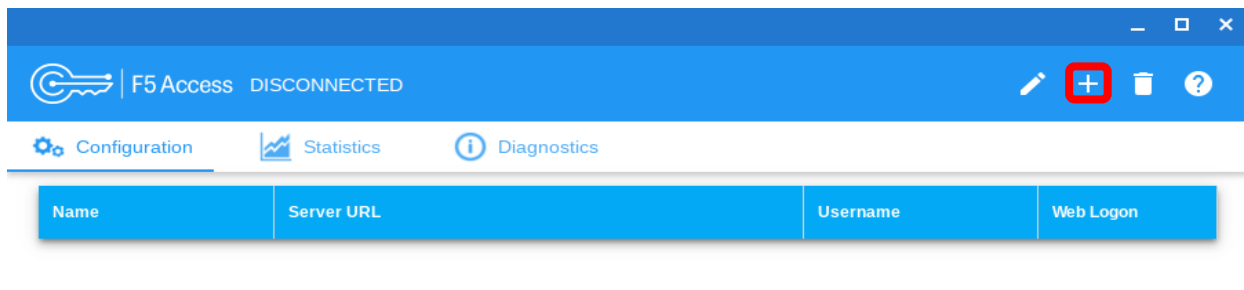
4. You will see a new F5 Access icon on your Chromebook. Click on the **F5 access** icon.



5. On the EULA prompt, click **Accept**



6. Click the plus + icon to configure the VPN



7. Enter in the Following Information. Click **Save** when finished.

- a. Name – **APSCN VPN**
- b. Server URL – <https://apscnvpn.k12.ar.us>
- c. Username – **Your SSO Account login (0000username)**
- d. Password – **Your SSO password**

← | Add Configuration

Name  
APSCN VPN

Server URL  
<https://apscnvpn.k12.ar.us>

Username  
0000gsmith

Password  
.....

Web Logon

Client Certificate

SELECT CERTIFICATE


X CANCEL **SAVE**

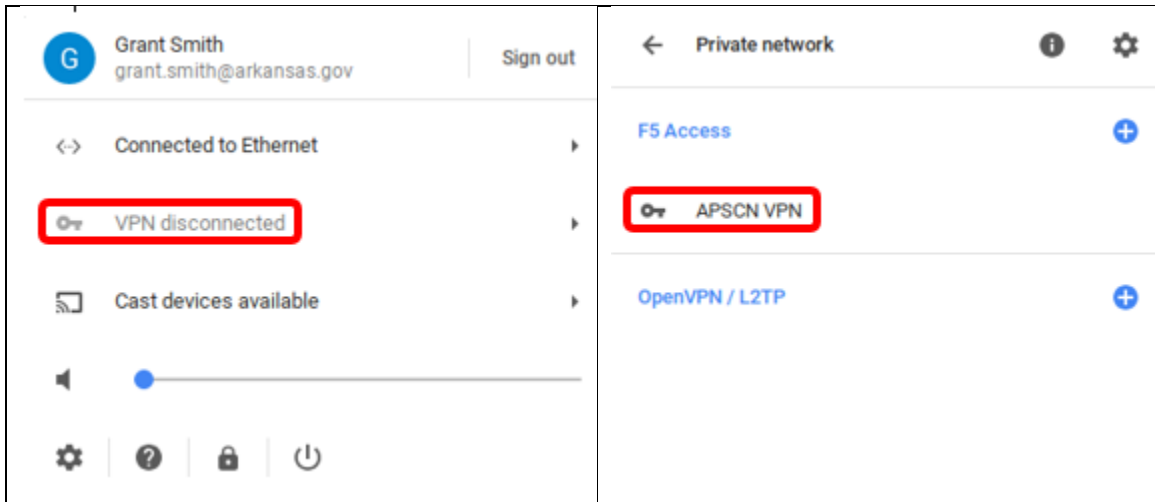
8. You should now see your configured VPN connection. Close out of the configuration screen.

F5 Access DISCONNECTED

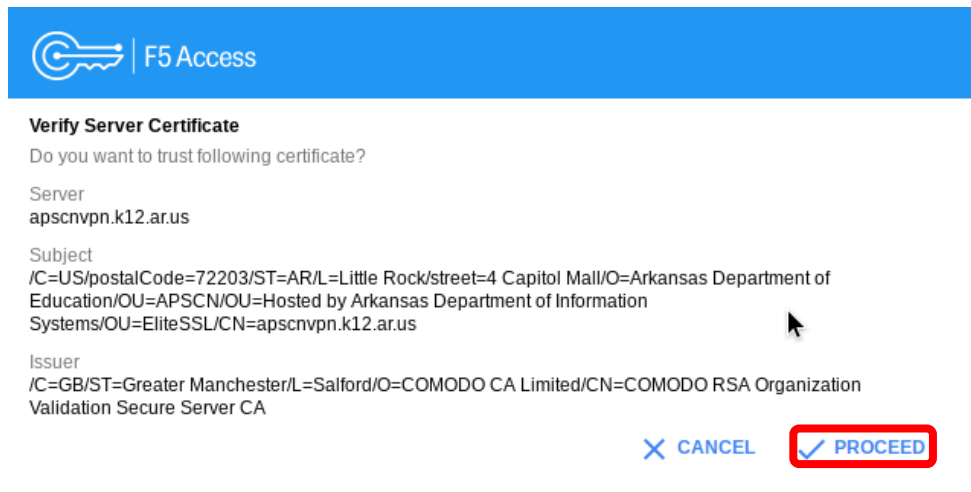
Configuration Statistics Diagnostics

Name	Server URL	Username	Web Logon
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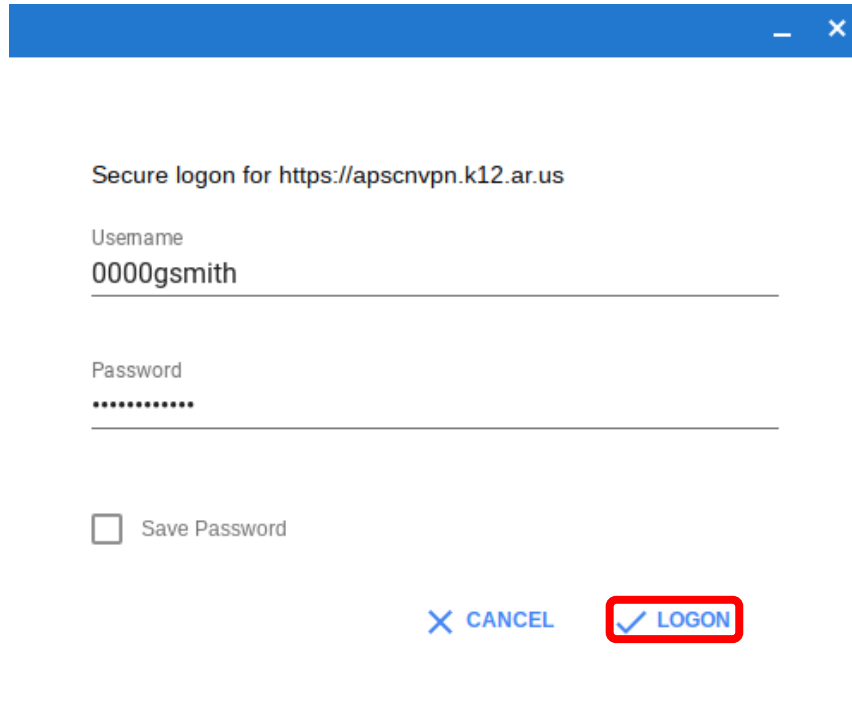
9. Click on your account photo at the bottom right then click on the **VPN**  icon and under F5 Access click **APSCN VPN**



10. You may be prompted to verify the server's certificate. Click **Proceed**.



11. Type your SSO account password and click **Logon**.



Secure logon for https://apscnvpn.k12.ar.us

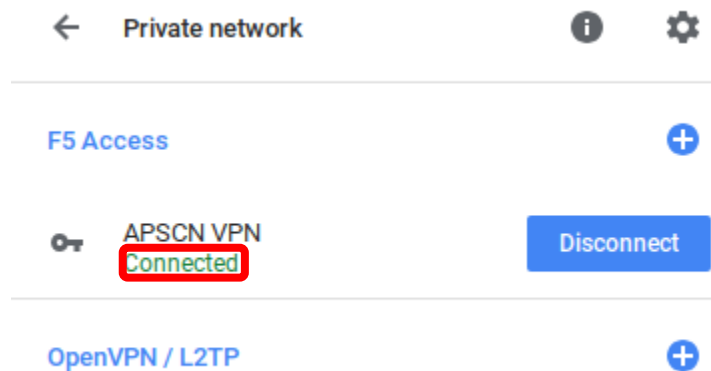
Username  
0000gsmith

Password  
.....

Save Password

✕ CANCEL ✓ LOGON

Once you are connected, you will have access to the eSchool environment.



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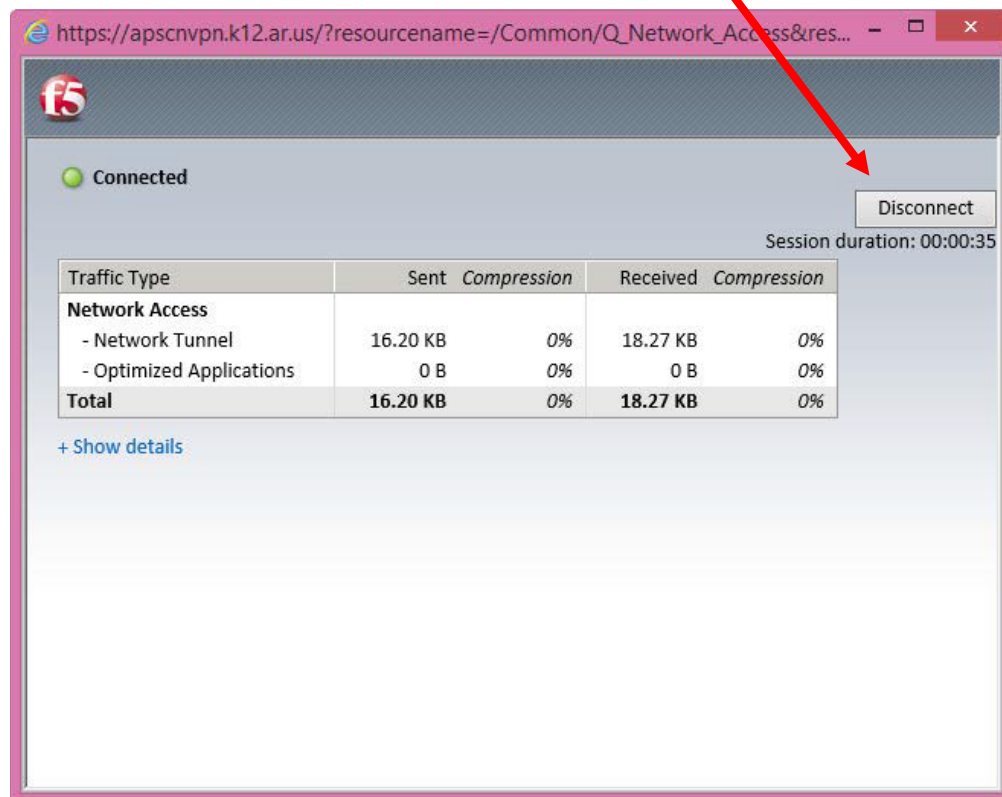
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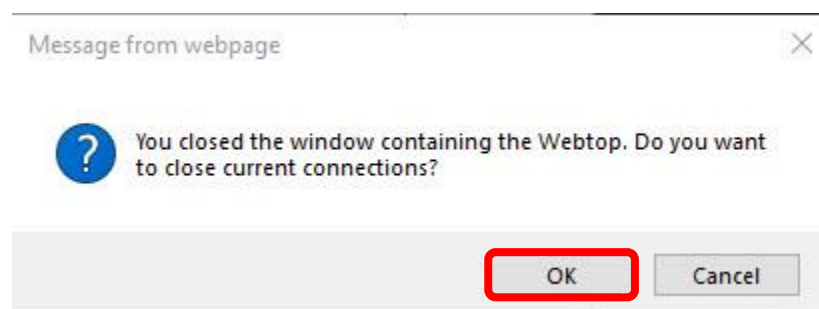
## Disconnecting the VPN

Although there is an Auto Timeout feature enabled, it is important to disconnect when you longer need the VPN.

If you have the Network Connection still up, you can click “Disconnect” and it will disconnect you from your VPN as well.

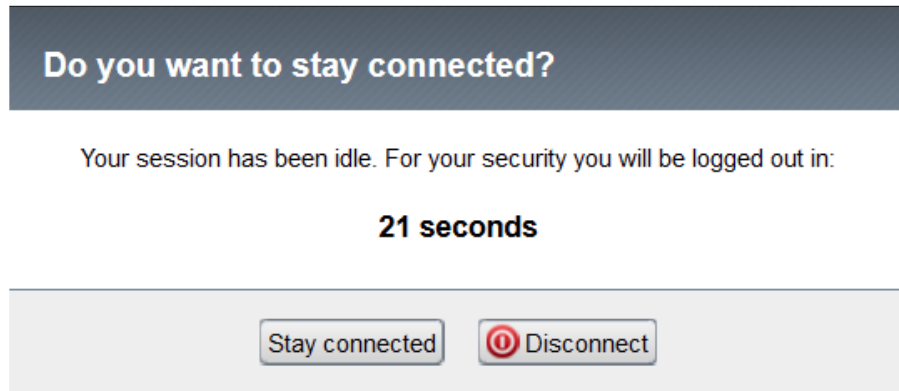


If you close the connecting browser, a message will display asking if you would like to disconnect your connection.

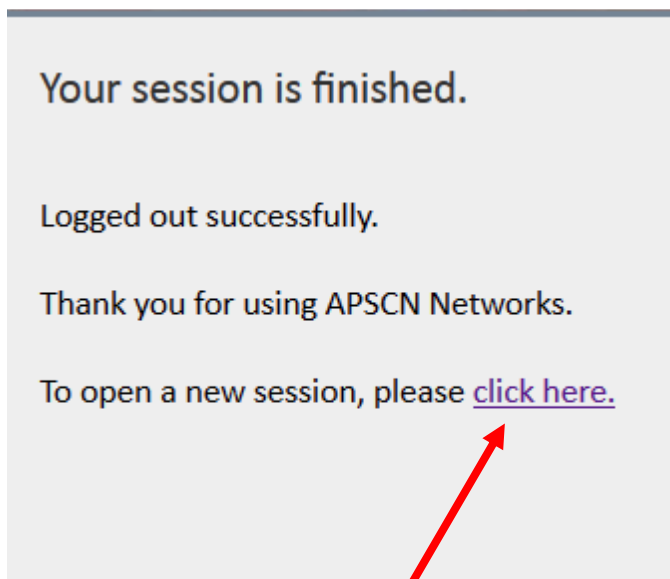


## Reconnecting after (Auto) Disconnecting the VPN

The **Auto Timeout** is for security purposes. This feature will automatically disconnect you from the APSCN VPN if your session has been idle for longer than **15 minutes**.



The system will prompt to stay connected or disconnect. If you do not click "**Stay Connected**" within the allotted time, it will disconnect you from the VPN Tunnel.



Click the **hyperlink** to start a new session