

5350 INTERNET SAFETY POLICY

It is the policy of Arlington Central School District to: (a) prevent user access over its computer network to, or transmission of, inappropriate material via Internet, electronic mail, or other forms of direct electronic communications; (b) prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful online activity; (c) prevent unauthorized online disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification information of minors; and (d) comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)].

Access to Inappropriate Material

- To the extent practical, an Internet Filtering Gateway shall be used to block or filter Internet, or other forms of electronic communications, and access to inappropriate information.
- Specifically, as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, blocking shall be applied to visual depictions of material deemed obscene or child pornography, or to any material deemed harmful to minors.
- Subject to staff supervision, technology protection measures may be disabled or, in the case of minors, minimized only for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

Inappropriate Network Usage

- To the extent practical, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of the Arlington Central School District online computer network when using electronic mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, and other forms of direct electronic communications.
- Specifically, as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, prevention of inappropriate network usage includes: (a) unauthorized access, including so-called 'hacking,' and other unlawful activities; and (b) unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors.

Education, Supervision and Monitoring

- It shall be the responsibility of all members of the Arlington Central School District staff to educate, supervise, and monitor appropriate usage of the online computer network and access to the Internet in accordance with this policy, the Children's Internet Protection Act, the Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act, and the Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act.
- Procedures for the disabling or otherwise modifying any technology protection measures shall be the responsibility of the Director of Technology and Library Media Services or designated representatives.

Adoption

- This Internet Safety Policy was adopted by the Board of Education at a public meeting, following normal public notice, on May 11, 2010.