

In an effort to be in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and Cyberbullying Awareness as a part of the E-Rate funding requirements, it is recommended that the District reviews the protection measures that are in place to protect staff and students against inappropriate material(s). Below is the specific information that will be shared:

We are using **Content Keeper** for our technology protection measure (Internet filtering software). **Content Keeper** protects against access by adults and minors to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or - with respect to use of computers with Internet access by minors - harmful to minors. It may be disabled for adults engaged in bona fide research or other lawful purposes. Our district policy includes monitoring the online activities of minors.

Our Internet Safety Policy addresses the following as required by CIPA:

- access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web;
- b) the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications;
- c) unauthorized access, including so-called "hacking," and other unlawful activities by minors online;
- d) unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors;
- e) measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors; and
- educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response.

Additionally, as a part of the Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act that was passed by Congress in 2008 to promote the online safety in schools, CISD is committed to educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response. The direct link is shown below:

http://www.coppellisd.com/domain/2847

The actual District Internet Safety Policy is located on the District website under the Technology Department's Responsible Use for Technology Resources link. The direct link is shown below: http://www.coppellisd.com/page/781

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me directly at: <u>smcgilvray@coppellisd.com</u>.