

Alva Independent School District I-001
418 Flynn Street
Alva, Oklahoma 73717

INTERNET SAFETY POLICY
(FCC required policy Relating to Internet Filtering)

A. Date of District Policy Approval

Date this Policy was approved by the District Board of Education: August 04, 2003

B. Reasonable Public Notice and Date of Public Hearing

Notice of intent to adopt this policy was publicized through local news media on the following dates: August 01, 2003 and August 03, 2003.

A public hearing on this proposed policy was conducted by the Alva Board of Education on August 04, 2003.

C. Reference and Background

The federal Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), 47 U.S.C. paragraph 254(h), (I) as amended by PL 106-554 effective April 20, 2001 and Federal Communications Commission Docket No. 96-45 Final Rules dated April 5, 2001 set forth the requirements that schools and libraries that have computers with Internet access must certify that they have in place certain Internet safety policies and technology protection measures in order to be eligible to receive discounted Internet access, Internet services, and internal connection services under the Universal Services Support (E-rate) Program.

Further, Internet access by students and adults shall be governed by the terms and conditions of this district's Internet Use Policy.

D. Effective Date of Policy Implementation

The FCC rules require that districts have the Internet Safety policies and technology protection measures in place by July 1, 2001 or certify that the district is undertaking such actions (beginning July 1, 2001), including any necessary procurement procedures, to comply with the requirement of CIPA for the next funding year, but have not completed all requirements of CIPA for this funding year.

The effective date of this district policy is August 4, 2003.

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E. Authorization and certification of Policy Provisions

The superintendent of schools, authorized agent, or superintendent's designee, shall be authorized to certify on appropriate Universal Service Program (E-rate) forms that this district complies with the requirements of the CIPA. Such certification shall confirm that the district policy of Internet safety includes monitoring the online activities of minors and that the district has adopted and implemented an Internet Safety Policy which addresses (1) the access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web; (2) the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications; (3) unauthorized access, including so-called Ahacking@, and other unlawful activities by minors online; (4) unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors; and (5) measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors.

F. Requirement for Internet Blocking, Filtering, and Monitoring

The superintendent of schools is hereby charged with the responsibility of procuring, installing, and enforcing continuous use of hardware and software system intended to protect every Internet accessible computer of the school district. Such system shall be sufficient to ensure the Internet safety of students and adults of this district. The Internet filtering services so provided will afford the following protection to children and adults.

1. Block or prevent the reception of Internet web sites or electronic mail on any district computer which portrays visual depictions that are (a) obscene, or (b) child pornography, or, with respect to use of computers with Internet access by minors, (c) harmful to minors.
2. Any and all online access (World Wide Web, social networking, electronic mail, chat) conducted in this district will include monitoring the online activities of minors by adult staff or authorized trained volunteers.

G. Other Regulated or Prohibited Online Use

1. This policy specifically prohibits any and all unauthorized online access, including so-called "hacking", and other unlawful activities by minors online.
2. This policy specifically prohibits any and all unauthorized online disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors.
3. This policy specifically prohibits any and all unauthorized online access by minors to materials harmful to minors.

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H. Authorization to Disable Blocking or Filtering for Adults Online Access

The superintendent of schools or his agent shall be authorized, at his discretion, to disable the district's blocking or filtering measures during any use by an adult to enable access for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

Adopted: August 04, 2003

Revised:

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference: