

Internet Safety Policy for Monsey Bais Chaya Mushka

Introduction

It is the policy of Monsey Bais Chaya Mushka 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)].

Definitions

Key terms are as defined in the Children's Internet Protection Act.■

Access to Inappropriate Material

To the extent practical, technology protection measures (or "Internet filters") shall be used to block or filter Internet, or other forms of electronic communications, access to inappropriate information **for all Internet enabled computers used by students, patrons, and staff.**

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 for adults 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 Monsey Bais Chaya Mushka 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 Monsey Bais Chaya Mushka 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 <Title> or designated representatives.

[For schools only] The <Title> or designated representatives will provide age-appropriate training for students who use the <School's> Internet facilities. The training provided will be designed to promote the <School's> commitment to:

a) Safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms and other forms of electronic communications:

The schools TPM measure will block access to non educational sites and will limit access to the retrieval of educational sage appropriate data. It will prohibit the exchange of information.

In addition all minor access to the Internet will take place under the direct supervision of educational personnel who are able to monitor student activity in real time.

b) Unauthorized access including “hacking” and other unlawful activities by minors:

Students will be prohibited from utilizing the student network in the absence of educational personnel who can monitor, in real time, student activity. In addition the TPM will alert educational instructors to unusual computer activity.

c) Unauthorized disclosure, use and dissemination of personal information regarding minors:

All student personal information will be stored by password protected files whose access is restricted to authorized administrative personnel. Students who access the student network will be assigned a unique ID number to access the system without supplying personal information.

d) Educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking Web sites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response:

All students who access the student educational network will be briefed about appropriate behavior while on the network. They will be cautioned about predatory behavior in chat rooms and the penalties for any cyberbullying activities. They will also be instructed to immediately report any inappropriate communications they received to their immediate educational supervisor. However, it is expected that the TPM will prohibit students from entering such sites in the first place.

Adoption

This Internet Safety Policy was adopted by the Board of Monsey Bais Chaya Mushka at a public meeting, following normal public notice, on August 31, 2020

▣ CIPA definitions of terms: **MINOR.** The term "minor" means any individual who has not attained the age of 17 years.

TECHNOLOGY PROTECTION MEASURE. The term "technology protection measure" means a specific technology that blocks or filters Internet access to visual depictions that are:

1. **OBSCENE**, as that term is defined in section 1460 of title 18, United States Code; 2. **CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**, as that term is defined in section 2256 of title 18, United States Code; or 3. Harmful to minors.

HARMFUL TO MINORS. The term "harmful to minors" means any picture, image, graphic image file, or other visual depiction that:

1. Taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion;
2. Depicts, describes, or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals; and
3. Taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value as to minors.

SEXUAL ACT; SEXUAL CONTACT. The terms "sexual act" and "sexual contact" have the meanings given such terms in section 2246 of title 18, United States Code.