

Sulphur Bluff ISD Internet Safety Policy and Procedures to Comply with the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA)

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Sulphur Bluff ISD will comply with the intent of the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) fully and completely. Our student’s safety is paramount. Proper training for all students is essential and can be accomplished with the online resources from sites dedicated to keeping students safe online. The campus principal will provide a list of resources to accomplish this training and then provide instructions to all campus staff on how and when the training will be accomplished.

The campus principal will ensure that all students are properly trained in the appropriate use of the internet. Training will include, but is not limited to, (a) safely using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of electronic communications; (b) unauthorized access, including so-called “hacking” and other unlawful activities by minors online; (c) unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors; (d) appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking sites as well as cyber bullying awareness.

Sulphur Bluff ISD teachers and staff will be trained on proper monitoring of student online behavior to include, but not limited to, proper physical monitoring of students while online as well as electronic monitoring, when available. Teachers and staff must understand that they are the frontline in ensuring students stay safe online and are the first line of defense against any threats to our students posed by online activities and individuals.

Sulphur Bluff ISD will ensure that all internet access to pornographic, obscene, or inappropriate material for minors is filtered or blocked. Any teacher or staff member that finds any websites that allows any pornographic, obscene, or inappropriate material that is getting through the internet filter must report that information to the campus principal. The campus principal will determine if the website should be blocked or not and inform the superintendent. If appropriate, the superintendent will contact the technology director and ask for the website to be blocked.

All Sulphur Bluff ISD teachers and staff realize that keeping our students safe while online is a joint responsibility that requires the active participation of everyone at all times while students under their supervision are online. Failure to do so is a serious breach of our responsibilities to our students and their parents and could result in serious consequences.

The campus principal will notify the superintendent, in writing, no later than 30 calendar days after school starts each year, that the necessary staff and student training has been accomplished in accordance with these procedures.