

Northside Center for Child Development Day School – Internet Safety Policy

1.0 Purpose

It is the policy of Northside Center for Child Development Day School 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)].

2.0 Scope

Key terms and the scope of this Policy are as defined in the Children’s Internet Protection Act and can be accessed on the link below:

<https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/childrens-internet-protection-act>

3.0 Policy

3.1 Access to Inappropriate Material

To the extent practical, technology protection measures (or “Internet filters”) shall be used to block or filter the Internet, or other forms of electronic communications, 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 for adults or, in the case of minors, minimized only for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

3.2 Inappropriate Network Usage

To the extent practical, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of the 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.

3.3 Education, Supervision and Monitoring

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It shall be the responsibility of all members of the staff to educate, supervise and monitor appropriate usage of the online computer network and access to the Internet in accordance with this policy.

Procedures for the disabling or otherwise modifying any technology protection measures shall be the responsibility of Northside's IT Director, Mr. Senol Arabaci, Educational Director, Ms. Carolina Laise-Chong and Assistant Director of Early Head Start/Head Start and Deborah Carroll or designated representatives.

The Director of Northside's Schools or designated representatives will provide age appropriate training for students who use the Northside School's Internet facilities. The Training provided will be designed to promote Northside's commitment to:

- a. The standards and acceptable use of Internet services as set forth in the School's Internet Safety Policy and Northside's Acceptable Use Policy.
- b. Student safety regarding:
 - i. Safety on the Internet;
 - ii. Appropriate behavior while online. Northside does not allow Social networking and/or chat rooms available for any of its network users including students. These sites are only available to certain departments if their jobs require to be on these sites.
 - iii. Cyberbullying awareness and response.

4.0 Adoption

This Internet Safety Policy was adopted by the Compliance Committee of the Board of Northside Center for Child Development Day School, on 12/8/2022.

5.0 Revision History

12/7/2022 Created by Northside Center IT Department