



## INTERNET FILTERING POLICY OPTIONS

The Internet is an exciting place for learning, sharing, communicating, and researching. At Legacy Christian Academy we see the Internet as a part of God's world and a place we can make an impact for Jesus Christ. The Internet is an invaluable tool for teaching and learning. God has made each one of us unique and we understand that students are at all different levels of maturity and ability when it comes to Internet use. While acknowledging the value of accountability and boundaries, we also recognize that parents have different philosophies and desires regarding Internet use for their children. To that end, Legacy offers a customized filtering policy for school-issued laptops that we hope will support your efforts at home with the use of technology.

The laptops provided for the students have been equipped with filtering software that allows the school to both control what a student has access to while at school and while they are at home. While students are using the school network, they will be filtered away from sites that may easily distract them from learning or be potentially damaging to view. While at school, Internet sites dealing with violence, sexual immorality, social networking (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), gaming websites, streaming video websites (YouTube, Vimeo), and any e-mail sites other than Legacy e-mail are blocked.

**When a student is away from school, we are giving parents filtering options that will closely resemble the school network limitations. Parents must “opt in” to this filtering option. A school-issued laptop will not be filtered outside of school unless a parent requests filtering options.**

Below are the filtering options parents may choose to place on their child's laptop for *outside of school use*.

Social Networks include Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, Instagram, etc. In this category, parents have three options:

- Block all social networking sites
  - Allow access to social networking sites from 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
  - Allow access to social networking sites from 3:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. (midnight)

Block online games that are accessed through the Internet.

Streaming music and video sites include Hulu, YouTube, Vimeo, Pandora, Spotify, Netflix etc. In this category parents have two options:

- Block all streaming and video sites
- Block YouTube but allow access to all other streaming and video sites

Please indicate below your preferences for the level of filtering you desire for your child. Please fill out one form for each student you have at Legacy and bring it to the Open House on **August 26**. This form will not be accepted from students. Should you wish to change your child's settings at any time, you may turn in a new form or contact the LCA Tech Department.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I do not wish to have any Internet filtering on my child's computer outside of school.

I would like the following options filtered on my child's computer *outside of school* (please check all that are desired)

\_\_\_\_ Block all social networking sites

\_\_\_\_ Allow access to social networking sites from 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

\_\_\_\_ Allow access to social networking sites from 3:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. (midnight)

\_\_\_\_ Block online gaming

\_\_\_\_ Block all streaming video sites

\_\_\_\_ Block all streaming music sites

\_\_\_\_ Block only YouTube and allow access to all other streaming and video sites

Parent Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_