

A Parent's Guide to School-Issued Internet Access



Schools typically provide access to the internet through a classroom computer or a school-issued laptop or tablet. Because administration understands the dangers that come with unfettered access to the internet, web filters are often the first line of defense.

Web filters block access to inappropriate sites that are designated by the school, but they usually only work when the student is on the school network. Some schools have solved this by applying web filters at the account level, which works regardless of location.

What are the risks?

Despite web filters and other blocking technology, there is still a chance that your child may access inappropriate content online, including:

- Drug or alcohol-related content
- Hate speech
- Profanity
- Self-harm or suicidal content
- Sexual content
- Violence
- And more

How can I help keep my kids safe online?

Kids use more than just their schoolissued accounts to go online, and it's important to help protect them no matter how they access the internet. Our flagship product, **Bark for Families**, monitors texts, email, YouTube, and 30+ apps and social media platforms for signs of potential dangers. Our web filtering and screen time management tools empower families to set healthy limits around when and how their kids can use technology.

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