



## Technology Protection Measure (TPM) & Internet Safety Policy

**Effective Date:** January 28, 2026

**Review Date:** January 28, 2026

**Approved By:** Dudley, Haymes

### 1. Purpose

Martin Luther King Jr Education Academy ("the Academy") is committed to providing a safe and secure digital learning environment for all students. This Technology Protection Measure (TPM) & Internet Safety Policy outlines the use of technology safeguards and educational strategies to protect minors from inappropriate online content, cyber threats, and unsafe digital behavior, in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and other applicable federal regulations.

### 2. Scope

This policy applies to all students, staff, volunteers, and visitors who access the Academy's network, devices, or internet services.

### 3. Technology Protection Measures (TPMs)

#### 3.1 Filtering and Blocking

The Academy uses filtering software to **block access to visual depictions that are:**

- Obscene
- Child pornography
- Harmful to minors

**References:** FCC.gov, [USAC E-rate Guidance](#)

#### 3.2 Monitoring

The Academy monitors student online activity to ensure safety and compliance with this policy, including attempts to bypass filtering or access prohibited content.

#### 3.3 Security Software

All Academy devices and networks utilize:

- Anti-virus and anti-malware software
- Firewalls
- Secure browsing protocols

**References:** [HSBC Online Safety Tips](#), [Salford City Council Digital Inclusion](#)

### 4. Internet Safety Policy Elements

#### 4.1 Inappropriate Content

Students are prohibited from accessing material that is obscene, pornographic, or otherwise harmful to minors.



#### **4.2 Electronic Communications**

Email, chat rooms, social media, and other online communication tools must be used safely, responsibly, and under staff supervision.

#### **4.3 Unauthorized Access**

Students must not attempt to hack, gain unauthorized access to networks, or disrupt the Academy's online systems.

#### **4.4 Personal Information**

Students are prohibited from sharing personal information, such as addresses, phone numbers, or financial data, without staff guidance.

#### **4.5 Cyberbullying**

Students will receive education on recognizing, preventing, and responding to cyberbullying. Reports of bullying will be addressed promptly.

**Reference:** [DNSFilter Cybersecurity Awareness](#)

#### **4.6 Responsible Online Behavior**

Students will be taught ethical online behavior, including respect for others, responsible posting, and decision-making in digital environments.

### **5. Implementation & Compliance**

#### **5.1 CIPA Compliance**

The Academy ensures compliance with CIPA for all E-rate funded services, including maintaining TPMs and Internet Safety Education Programs.

#### **5.2 Public Hearings**

Prior to adoption of this policy, public meetings are held to allow input from staff, parents, and community members.

**References:** [USAC E-rate Policy](#), FCC.gov

#### **5.3 Adult Exceptions**

TPMs may be disabled for adult users for lawful purposes (e.g., research or professional development) under staff supervision.

**References:** E-Rate Central Policy Sample

### **6. Personal Safety Tips**

All students, staff, and visitors are encouraged to:

- Keep personal information private



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- Use strong and unique passwords
- Avoid unverified downloads or links
- Ensure secure connections when online

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### 7. Responsibilities

- **Students:** Follow this policy and report unsafe or inappropriate activity.
- **Staff:** Supervise online activity, enforce filtering, and educate students on safe online practices.
- **Administration:** Review and update policy regularly, ensure CIPA compliance, and maintain monitoring systems.

### 8. Enforcement

Violations of this policy may result in:

- Loss of network or device privileges
- Disciplinary action consistent with Academy policies
- Notification of parents/guardians

### 9. Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed at least annually or when federal regulations, technologies, or educational best practices change.

Approved by: 

Title: President

Date: Jan 28, 2026