Internet Filtering Policy Parent Options

We are very excited to partner with you in the 1:1 Laptop initiative at Unity Christian. Every student having access to the Internet will be one of the advantages of the laptop initiative. The Internet has become a vital tool for teaching and learning in the 21st century. It is an exciting place to share, communicate, research, publish, produce, etc. However, it is also a place where we see the result of sin through the misuse of time, cyber-bullying, pornography, etc. As responsible parents and teachers, we will be filtering the Internet and would like to offer some options for you to consider for home use. Our goal is to create a safe learning environment for our students – whether that be in the school building or online.

The laptops leased to you from Unity Christian will continue to have internet filtering offered by the school both when the laptop is at school and when it is away from school. We are also giving you, the parent/ guardian, <u>additional</u> filtering options that you select based on appropriateness for your son or daughter. Below is an explanation of the categories.

While in the school building social networks and games are blocked. The filtering choices below apply to student use <u>outside</u> of the school building and in your home.

>**Social Networks** including MySpace, FaceBook, Pinterest etc.- **If parents do not choose to allow access, their child will have no Social Networking availability on their leased laptop.**

>**Games** including online games that are accessed through the internet- Examples might include Bubbleshooter, CandyStand, etc. In this category parents can choose to ALLOW games. **If parents do not choose to allow access, their child will not have Games available on their leased laptop.**

>**Video/Audio Sites** including Hulu, YouTube, Vimeo, Blip, etc.- In this category you can choose to ALLOW video site access. **If parents do not choose to allow access, their child will not have Video sites available on their leased laptop.**

Please indicate below your preferences for the level of filtering you desire for your child. This is an opt-in filtering policy; your child will have NO access to Social Networking, Games, or Video Sites off campus until or unless this form is completed.

Please fill out one form for each student you have at Unity Christian with a laptop computer and bring it to the laptop distribution night. Should you wish to change your student's settings at any time, you may turn in a new form which can be found on Unity's webpage under "Technology 1 to 1".

Student First Name_____ Last Name_____ Grad Year _____

Check One Box	☐ Allow Social Networks. ☐ Block Social Networks.
Check One Box	☐ Allow Internet Games. ☐ Block Internet Games.
Check One Box	☐ Allow Internet Video/Audio. ☐ Block Internet Video/Audio.
Optional	☐ Block all allowed categories from Midnight to 5:00 a.m.

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Student Signature   Parent Signature   Date