

CIPA Policy

Section 1: Technology Protection Measures

In conformity with the *CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION ACT (CIPA)*, the Library provides filtered access to the Internet. However, Parents or guardians, and not the Library, its staff, or its technology, are ultimately responsible for the materials selected and/or accessed by their children over the Internet. Filtering software may both fail to block offensive content and block inoffensive content inadvertently.

Section 2: Monitoring

Internet usage in the Library, whether by minors or adults, will be monitored. Any person found to be in violation of the Library's CIPA Policy or Computer Use Policy will have their computer use session terminated. Repeat offenders may be subject to escalating sanctions.

Section 3: Internet Safety Training

The Garden City Public Library will periodically provide Internet safety training for minors and parents/guardians of minors. Training will address topics such as appropriate online behavior, cyber-bullying awareness and response, social networking sites, and chat rooms.

