



# WORCESTER CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

At Worcester Central School your child's safety is our main priority. That safety includes their physical wellbeing on campus, as well as their safety in the virtual world of the internet. Recently we updated and secured our network to meet the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requirements.

As part of the updates, we have limited the wireless access for students to only school issued devices. This allows for better internet security and significantly reduces the opportunities for students to reach inappropriate subject matter, minimizes unauthorized access or 'hacking' of school data and sensitive student information, and aids in the safety and security of student issued email and communication content.

In addition to our changes in wireless access, we would like to remind you and your student of our Acceptable Use Policy. That policy allows for personal electronic device usage, such as cell phones and tablets, but limits the usage of personal devices to non-instructional times only. Students are required to keep their personal electronic devices off and away while in classes and academic study halls. While students may use their devices during non-instructional time, such as lunch and in between classes, it is important for students to know they are expected to use their devices appropriately and things like picture taking, videotaping others, or accessing inappropriate material are prohibited. Any inappropriate use of personal electronic devices or school issued devices will result in disciplinary consequences in accordance with the District's Code of Conduct.

We encourage you to speak to your children about the many benefits that electronic devices and the internet has to offer, as well as the potential dangers that exist. Thank you for helping us to keep all the students at WCS safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim Gonzales', written in a cursive style.

Tim Gonzales  
Executive Principal