Dear VISD Parents and Guardians:

Vashon Island School District has adopted online services provided by Linewize, a leading provider of online student safety technology.

By adopting the Linewize's filtering technology, we can:

- Ensuring the students are safe online.
- Receive automatic alerts when questionable online activity is detected.
- Download student behavioral and wellbeing reports over specified time ranges.
- Comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). Allowing us to receive federal funding for Internet access and related services.

Integrating Linewize School Manager, Classwize and Linewize Monitor supports our mission to keep students safe and ensure they remain focused on learning.

How does it work?
Linewize works by enforcing school-administered Internet access rules. For example, one rule might prohibit students from accessing social media websites. In this case, a student attempting to log into Facebook would be blocked, and the failed attempt would be logged.

Reports & alerting for student wellbeing
Student activity reports help us:

- Identify students who are at-risk (self-harm, bullying, violence, etc.)
- Quickly mediate and intervene when questionable activity is flagged.

Protection and privacy
Privacy is a priority for our district. Linewize has been awarded with iKeepSafe certifications for complying with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and federal student privacy laws.

Linewize does not own, keep, or share *any* student information collected by the filter. After one school year, data is permanently deleted.

Filtering during after-school hours

The Linewize web-based services operate in tandem with VISD's managed Google Workspace for Education accounts (i.e., when a student is logged into a Chromebook with their school email address). **If your student uses their personal Chromebook to log in to their school based Google account, that device will be subject to the school's content filtering rules.**

Families who do not wish their students to be subject to such restrictions on their personal Chromebooks should ensure students log out of their school account before browsing. If parents prefer that their student use a school issued Chromebook for school related work, you may request a loan from your school's office.

VISD Chromebooks are intended for student use only.