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Dear Parents and Guardians of Students at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center,

At Cuyahoga Valley Career Center (CVCC), we are unwavering in our commitment to the safety of our students. We adhere to numerous federal, state, and local laws, procedures, and policies to ensure their safety. This includes safely operating training equipment, using technology devices, and protecting their confidential information. Your child's safety is our priority, and we are dedicated to maintaining a safe learning environment.

Search and privacy laws for safety online while using district-issued devices and when students access district-provided internet on family-owned devices such as laptops and cell phones require web filters to ensure content is appropriate for the educational environment. I am writing to inform parents about two measures CVCC employs to ensure your child's safety and the safety of the entire student body.

- 1. Cuyahoga Valley Career Center uses Lightspeed, a web filter service, to ensure students can access materials appropriately. This filter applies to district-issued devices and personal devices that connect to district-provided internet.
- Lightspeed adds another layer of safety by alerting the principal when an internet search is conducted on a topic that may harm an individual student or the entire student body. This additional safety layer applies to district-issued devices and personal devices that connect to district-provided internet.

Lightspeed's privacy policy is linked here: https://www.lightspeedsystems.com/privacy-policy/

I am providing this update to ensure CVCC complies with legal requirements and informs parents of our safety protocols. In the future, this notice will be part of the Student Acceptable Use Policy that is sent to parents in the summer before the school year begins.

We firmly believe that ensuring safety is a shared responsibility. Your active involvement is crucial in this process. If you have any questions or concerns about our safety measures, please do not hesitate to contact my office. We value your input and are committed to working together to ensure the safety of our students.

Sincerely,

David L. Mangas, Jr. Superintendent