Sec. 1. INTRODUCTION

It is the policy of UT Tyler University Academy to:

(a) Prevent user access over its computer network to, or transmission of, inappropriate material via Internet, electronic mail, or other forms of direct electronic communications;
(b) Prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful online activity;
(c) Prevent unauthorized online disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification information of minors; and
(d) Comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA"), the Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act ("NCIPA"), and the Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act, to the extent such laws are applicable to UT Tyler University Academy.

It is the goal of this policy not only to prevent and protect, but also to educate employees, students, parents and the UT Tyler University Academy community in Internet safety. UT Tyler University Academy has developed an Acceptable Use Policy and/or Acceptable Use Agreement(s). All limitations and penalties set forth in the Acceptable Use Policy and/or Acceptable Use Agreement(s) are deemed to be incorporated into this policy.

Sec. 2. COMPLIANCE

a) *Technology Protection Measures*

A Technology Protection Measure is a specific technology that blocks or filters Internet access. It protects against access by adults and minors to visual depictions that are obscene, involve child pornography, or are harmful to minors. UT Tyler University Academy utilizes the GoGuardian content filtering system.

b) *Access to Inappropriate Material*

To the extent practical, Technology Protection Measures (or "Internet filters") shall be used to block or filter Internet, or other forms of electronic communication, access to inappropriate information. Blocking shall be applied to visual and textual depictions of material deemed obscene or child pornography, or to any material deemed harmful to minors. Subject to administrative approval, technology protection measures may be disabled or, in the case of minors, minimalized only for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

Any attempt to bypass, defeat, or circumvent the Technology Prevention Measures is punishable as a violating of this policy and of the Acceptable Use Policies.

c) *Inappropriate Network Usage*

To the extent practical, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of UT Tyler University Academy's online computer network when using electronic mail, chat rooms, blogging,

instant messaging, online discussions and other forms of direct electronic communications. Without limiting the foregoing, access to such means of communication is strictly limited by the Acceptable Use Policies.

Prevention of inappropriate network usage includes:

1. Unauthorized access, including so-called "hacking" and other unlawful activities; and
2. Unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors.

d) *Supervision and Monitoring*

It shall be the responsibility of all professional employees (pedagogical and administrative staff) to supervise and monitor usage of UT Tyler University Academy's computers, computer network and access to the Internet in accordance with this policy, and the Acceptable Use Policies. Procedures for the disabling or otherwise modifying any technology protection measures shall be the responsibility of each Principal or designee.

e) *Education*

UT Tyler University Academy will advocate and educate employees, students, parents and UT Tyler University Academy community on Internet safety and "cyber-bullying." Education will be provided through such means as professional development training and materials to employees, PTO/PTA presentations, and the UT Tyler University Academy website.

Additionally, the Principal or designee will provide age-appropriate training for students who use UT Tyler University Academy's Internet facilities. The training provided will be designed to promote UT Tyler University Academy commitment to:

1. The standards and acceptable use of Internet services as set forth in the Acceptable Use Policies.
2. Student safety with regard to:
   a. safety on the Internet;
   b. appropriate behavior while online, on social networking Web sites, and in chat rooms; and
   c. cyberbullying awareness and response.

Following receipt of this training, the student will acknowledge that he/she has received the training, understood it, and will follow the provisions of the Acceptable Use Policy and/or Acceptable Use Agreement(s).

f) *Cyberbullying*

The Acceptable Use Policies include provisions intended to prohibit and establish penalties for inappropriate and oppressive conduct, including cyber-bullying.

UT Tyler University Academy is a place of tolerance and good manners. Students may not use the network or any UT Tyler University Academy computer facilities for hate mail, defamatory statements, statements intended to injure or humiliate others by disclosure of personal information (whether true or false), personal attacks on others, and statements expressing animus towards any person or group by reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability.

Network users may not use vulgar, derogatory, or obscene language. Network users also may not post inappropriate anonymous messages or forge e-mail or other messages.

Furthermore, UT Tyler University Academy computers and network facilities may not be used for any activity, or to transmit any material, that violates United States, State of Texas, or local laws. This includes, but is not limited to, any threat or act of intimidation or harassment against another person.