

Category Objects for Web Filtering

The category filtering list below categorizes over 6 million Web sites and 1.2 billion web pages into 45 categories. The table indicates which categories are filtered for employees and for students at the MN State Academies. Blocked categories are indicated with an “X” in the appropriate column(s). Categories filtered only at specific times indicate the filter rule in the appropriate column(s) – for instance “Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.”

Filtered Category	Employee	Student	Filtered Category	Employee	Student
• Adult/Sexually Explicit	X	X	• Job Search & Career		
• Advertisements	X	X	• Kids Sites		
• Alcohol & Tobacco	X	X	• Motor Vehicles		
• Arts			• News		
• Chat	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	• Personals & Dating	X	X
• Computing & Internet			• Photo Searches		
• Criminal Activity	X	X	• Proxies & Peer-to-Peer	X	X
• Downloads			• Real Estate		
• Education			• Reference		
• Entertainment			• Religion		
• Finance & Investment			• Search Engines		
• Food & Dining			• Sex Education	Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
• Forums & Newsgroups			• Shopping		
• Gambling	X	X	• Society & Culture		
• Games	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	• Sports		
• Government & Politics			• Spyware	X	X
• Hacking	X	X	• Streaming Media	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Block 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
• Health & Medicine			• Tasteless & Offensive	X	X
• Hobbies & Recreation			• Travel		
• Hosting Sites	X	X	• Violence	X	X
• Illegal Drugs	X	X	• Weapons	X	X
• Intimate Apparel	X	X	• Web-based E-mail		
• Intolerance & Hate	X	X			

Blocking and filtering of categories can be adjusted in real time if necessary. Categories cannot be renamed or deleted from the Web filter. Additions or deletions of specific Websites to a category are controlled by web filtering software selected by MN-IT.

The MN State Academies fully meet the requirements established by Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) for the filtering of inappropriate Web content for minors.