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Dear Hardin-Houston Parents:

This letter serves as the District's annual technology privacy notice consistent with Ohio Revised Code Sections 3319.325 - .327. (Ohio Senate Bill 29). Senate Bill 29 requires all schools in Ohio to provide notice to parents and caregivers of our students about protective monitoring of school-owned devices.

Hardin-Houston Local School, through software called "Go Guardian", "Bark", as well as "Iboss", is electing to generally monitor all school-issued devices. The monitoring will include the following features: location tracking and student interactions with schoolissued devices (e.g., keystrokes and web-browsing activity). We generally monitor these features for the noncommercial education purpose of instruction, technical support, state assessments, and/or exam proctoring.

The district also monitors student device internet traffic so that we can receive E-Rate Federal funding. It is required for us to monitor and filter student internet traffic as part of the Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA) to receive E-Rate funding as mentioned above. Our filters can alert district administrators of particular language that a student may be using to threatening others, threats against the school, or any potential expressions of self-harm.

The district will continue to protect our students on the internet, as it is a top priority to keep our children safe.

In education,

Ryan Maier

Hardin-Houston superintendent