

## GAGGLE SAFETY MANAGEMENT FOR STUDENTS

G Suite for Education is a set of education productivity tools from Google which is used by tens of millions of students and teachers around the world. At Wayne Township Public Schools, students in grades 3-12 will use their G Suite accounts to sign into their Chromebooks or laptops, complete assignments, communicate with their teachers, and learn 21st century digital citizenship skills.

The terms of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) require school districts to provide an extra level of protection for student communications outside of the domain. This year we have put in place an additional filter for email and online storage for students in grades 3-12 called Gaggle Safety Management. Gaggle Safety Management provides an extra layer of protection by scanning school-related student email and online storage to ensure a safe environment where students can use educational technology for productive, academic purposes. Gaggle does this by combining a digital scan of student-produced email/documents with a "real person" review. A Gaggle Safety Representative only gets involved if an email or document is generated by a student which contains questionable content.

Questionable content includes, but is not limited to:

- An immediate threat to a student
- A cyber-bullying event
- Pornographic images
- Drugs or alcohol
- Graphic, violent or sexually-related stories
- Files not associated with an assignment
- Profanity

In emergency situations, Gaggle Safety Representatives directly contact district administrators and local law enforcement for immediate intervention. An emergency situation is defined as:

- Death threat
- Suicide
- Gun or Bomb threat
- Threat of violence

In extreme situations, any communications related to the potential exploitation of children is reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

As a school district, we are committed to providing each student with a safe, productive learning environment. We encourage you to speak with your child about responsible digital citizenship.