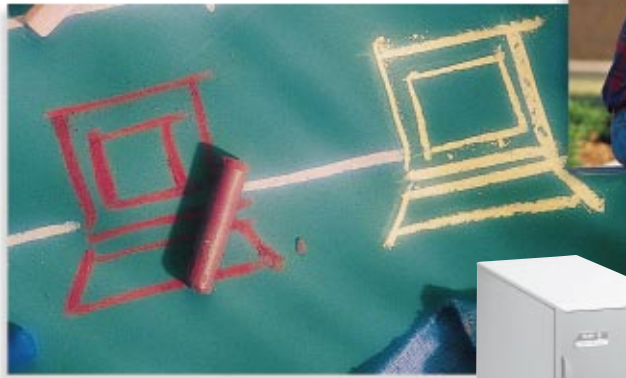




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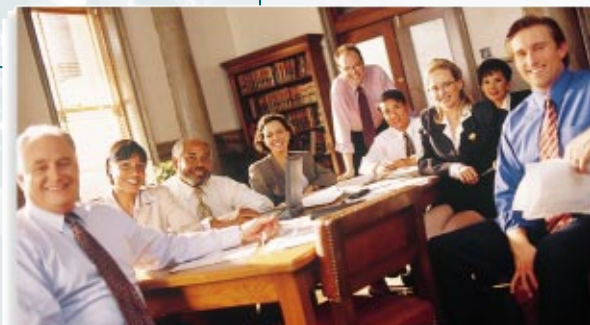


*Creating a safe Internet environment for your
students to promote focused and enriched learning.*



"We can provide resources to our students and teachers that we could not have imagined having access to ten years ago."

—Sister Joanne Callahan, Superintendent
of Schools, Diocese of Rockville Centre,
Rockville Centre, New York.



Bring the Internet to school with confidence.

As a global educational resource, the Internet is unsurpassed. Easily accessible, it expands teachers' support materials far beyond the classroom. And it contains millions of pages of information, far more than any school library.

However, navigating a course through this vast sea of information is not easy. And making sure that students don't waste time exploring uncharted waters is practically impossible. What you need is a way to select, organize, and update Internet content based on curriculum needs. A way to bring resources to the classroom and focus students on learning. You need Safe Harbor by Acer, the complete Internet access management solution for schools.

Safe Harbor by Acer screens Internet content.

Until now, there hasn't been an easy way for educators to manage the Internet in support of their unique curriculum and educational goals. Most products use keyword searches to automatically screen sites, but this approach

often blocks useful web sites while allowing sites with inappropriate content to slip through the cracks.

Just as teachers rely on experience and judgement to select textbooks, library materials, and other educational resources, Safe Harbor by Acer provides freedom of choice when screening Internet content to promote focused, enriched learning.

Create a Safe Harbor for your students.

Safe Harbor by Acer creates an intranet—a safe environment where students can only access sites that contain material directly related to their schoolwork. With an easy-to-use interface designed to look like a modern library card catalog, Safe Harbor provides access to a pre-approved web site library that includes thousands of web sites. This comprehensive set of education web sites is reviewed and categorized by a team of educators to ensure high quality content. It is regularly updated through a software service program that also provides automatic backups of the school's administrative settings (user IDs and passwords, access levels, etc.).





Safe Harbor lets you decide which Internet services are allowed, plus the ability to make changes at any time.

Master	Allowed Services	Global Settings	Allowed Sites	Copyrights	Other Options	Log Out
Allowed Services						
Use Bassem's List?		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No			
Allow Usenet Newsgroups?		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No			
Allow FTP?		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No			
Allow IRC?		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No			
Allow Access to AOL?		<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No			
HELP						

“We’re using the technology to manage the educational information our children are exposed to.”

— Paul Lynch, Director of Technology
Diocese of Rockville Centre,
Rockville Centre, New York.



Your teachers are already familiar with Safe Harbor’s environment. Sites are organized by the curriculum topics you use everyday.

Schools can also create password-protected custom lists of web sites, adding to them and updating content at any time. “Global Chalkboard Library,” the main access page for teachers and students, is divided into specific subject areas to help users find information quickly. Teachers may select web sites for individual computers, classrooms, labs, and libraries—creating additional “safe harbors” for students. It’s so simple to do, even teachers new to the Internet will enjoy managing Internet access for their classes. Students can use the Internet to participate in newsgroups and transfer files when appropriate. Through protected chat rooms, they’ll be able to work interactively with students at their own or at other schools.

Safe Harbor works for the school district, too.

A virtual private network (VPN) allows district-wide private communication and resource sharing, while an integrated firewall guards school files against unauthorized access. Unlimited Internet access is kept available for authorized users only.

To get your school started, Safe Harbor by Acer comes with a powerful search engine, Internet-based lesson plans, teacher resources, links to current events, research assignments, event calendar, educational home pages, discussion groups, and sample test questions.

In fact, Safe Harbor by Acer is the most flexible and easiest-to-implement Internet access management system available to the educational community today.

Key Features & Benefits

- Access Management Engine Software: Freedom of choice and easy management
- Grade- and Topic-based Web Site Selection: Find relevant information faster
- Automatic Web Content Upgrades: Access the latest education information
- Automatic Software Upgrades: Saves maintenance time
- Proxy Cache: Speeds access and cuts communication costs
- Integrated Firewall: Provides security and protects privacy
- Off-site Backup of Configuration Files: Fast restoration of settings
- Virtual Private Network: Expanded, secure communications

Safe Harbor even watches out for your budget.

Because Safe Harbor by Acer implements internal caching for frequently-accessed web pages, it helps cut down on communication costs. You'll realize an additional benefit, too—because cached sites are accessed more quickly, productivity increases.

Safe Harbor by Acer is extremely cost-effective because it easily integrates into your existing technology environment, without requiring any new hardware investment. You can utilize standard modems, ISDN, leased lines (28.8K to T1), satellite, wireless, or cable. It works with Netscape Navigator and Microsoft Explorer web browsers on any operating system, including Apple Macintosh and Microsoft® Windows®. And as your student population grows, Safe Harbor grows with it, supporting up to 750 users per server.

Safe Harbor by Acer is easy to take care of.

Daily maintenance and operation is designed to be managed by educators, not technicians. Teachers will find that Safe Harbor saves time because it's such an intuitive, easy-to-implement solution. All server models in the series are easy-to-configure, drop-in solutions that fit into existing networks. Automatic software upgrades bring new software features to your school as soon as they are available.

There is no special client software to install and maintain—all you need is a web browser. Configuration settings are backed up automatically through the Internet. Because these remotely-managed backup files are always available, your settings can be quickly replaced even in the rare case of a system failure. You may also choose to store back-up files in an on-site (local) server.

Welcome to the global classroom.

Safe Harbor by Acer helps everyone—teachers, administrators, students, and parents—plot a course through the vast Internet ocean by creating a focused and managed virtual classroom environment.

Acer is committed to providing educators with the technology tools and solutions you need to prepare students for the future. For more information or to schedule an appointment with an authorized Acer representative, please call 800-391-ACER. You can also visit us on the web at www.aceredu.com/safeharbor.



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