

New Milford School District REQUEST TO UNBLOCK WEB SITE

In the realm of Internet filtering, the ultimate concern is for the safety of children while at the same time providing access to information. In accordance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), the New Milford School District employs internet content filtering software to block inappropriate content. We are currently utilizing a content filter, iBoss, to provide our filtering. Occasionally a web site that has inappropriate content slips through the filter or a web site that students or staff need to access is blocked. If you feel that you have found a URL that is mishandled by our filter, please read and understand all of the following before proceeding.

Request Local Exception to Categorization This form allows you to request a change to the way a URL is handled by our internet content filter. If you are requesting that a blocked site be unblocked, please provide as much information pertaining to the instructional or professional value of the site. Also, please determine that comparable content is not already available on some other (unblocked) web site. NOTE: Some sites, such as GeoCities sites, are not able to be unblocked as the entire subset of GeoCities sites are affected as a unit. It is also important to note that all sites unblocked affect the entire building group (staff and/or students). ☑ Complete this form and submit to your building principal. The building principal approves the form and submits the completed and signed form to the Technology Department, who then updates the blocked database to reflect the change in the status of the site. Note:

Please fill in the form below and submit electronically to your building principal. Once your request is approved at the building level it will be submitted to the Assistant Superintendents office and the Technology office for approval.

Teacher's Name _____ Date of Request _____

Building: _____ Grade or Subject Area Teaching: _____

Web Site address to unblock (URL MUST be included – copy and paste web address from browser):

What is the instructional reason you need this site unblocked?

What project or assignment will this site be used for?

When do you need to begin using this site?

Other comments:

What change are you requesting for this website?

Block Unblock

Select the group(s) for which you are requesting the change:

Staff Students Guest Wireless*

My signature below verifies that I have thoroughly investigated the site, including all pages within the URL of the site for appropriateness and compliance with school board policies.

