



# Hive Social: Safety, Privacy & Compliance Statement

## CIPA & COPPA Compliance Overview

Hive Social is built from the ground up to provide a "supervised practice space" for students. Our platform prioritizes safety and compliance to satisfy the most rigorous district requirements.

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## 1. CIPA Compliance (Children's Internet Protection Act)

CIPA requires schools to have an internet safety policy that includes technology protection measures (filtering) and monitoring of student activities.

### How Hive Complies:

- **Automated AI Content Filtering:** Every post and comment is analyzed in real-time by our integrated AI (Gemini). Content with toxicity, hate speech, or inappropriate material scores above 0.1 is automatically blocked before it is ever visible to other students.
  - **Walled Garden Architecture:** Students can only interact with verified peers within their own school or district. There is no "Public" feed, and external users cannot access school colonies.
  - **Administrative Oversight:** School administrators have access to a dashboard to review all flagged content, manage student "Safety Scores," and apply manual mutes or restrictions if necessary.
  - **Educational Remediation:** Our AI doesn't just "block"; it provides the student with a reason why the content was flagged and a suggestion on how to rephrase it, fulfilling the CIPA requirement to educate students about appropriate online behavior.
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## 2. COPPA Compliance (Children's Online Privacy Protection Act)

COPPA imposes requirements on operators of websites or online services directed to children under 13.

## How Hive Complies:

- **School-Authorized Use:** Hive operates under the "Educational Purpose" exception. Schools provide consent on behalf of parents for the use of the platform within a controlled educational context.
  - **Data Minimization:** We only collect the bare minimum data required for educational social interaction (Name, School Email, Grade). We do not sell student data, nor do we use it for advertising or profile building.
  - **Zero Public Search:** Student profiles are not indexable by search engines and are invisible to anyone outside the verified school network.
  - **Identity Verification:** We integrate with school SSO (Google/Clever), ensuring that only authorized students with valid district credentials can create accounts.
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## 3. The "Safety Score" & Strike System

To encourage positive digital citizenship, Hive uses a transparent gamified safety system:

- **Automatic Warnings:** Students receive a digital "tap on the shoulder" for minor violations.
  - **Mute Penalties:** Repeated violations result in automatic 1-hour "cool-down" periods.
  - **Indefinite Restriction:** Serious or persistent violations result in an account lock that requires administrative review to unlock.
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*This document is intended for school administrators and IT directors to verify Hive Social's commitment to student safety.*