

# **Technology**

### **TSC Content Filter - Qustodio Parent Account/App**

Linewize Qustodio

**Enhancing student safety** 

## **App for Parents & Families**

You can now use the Qustodio Parents' App to ensure digital safety and balance for your children.



#### Dear Parent/Guardian:

Last fall, the TSC was forced to implement a new internet content filter (Linewize). Our previous content filter (Securly) offered a parent account/app that many had come to appreciate. This has been missed since the transition away from Securly.

Linewize has been working to provide a parent account/app that integrates with their content filter. Rather than designing a parent option from the ground up, they've opted to partner with an existing company (Qustodio) to offer a school-sponsored solution that provides parents/guardians with oversight of their child's internet activity when using their school-issued device. Through this service, parents/guardians can also add up to two of their students' personal devices (optional) to their Qustodio account, free of charge. TSC will have no access to usage data for those devices.

The Qustodio parent account/app provides the following options to parents/guardians:

- Ensure your child's safety and wellbeing online after school hours
- Gain visibility and insights on how school devices are being used

- Pause internet access to balance your child's digital activity based on the parameters set up by your district
- Receive expert advice and insights on online safety topics like cyber bullying, screen time, gaming and trends
- More features coming soon, including more detailed reporting and the ability to block specific websites when your student isn't at school. We are aware the reporting options aren't as robust as what was offered with the Securly parent option. Linewize and Qustodio have assured us that enhancements are coming in the very near future.

The Qustodio parent account/app will provide parents/guardians with the above information for students in **grades 2-12** (students using Chromebooks).

To begin using Qustodio, please visit <u>qustodio.com/my-school</u> and follow the prompts to activate your account. **You must use the same email address that is used for your PowerSchool Parent Portal account.** 

We also encourage parents/guardians to browse (and bookmark) the <u>Linewize Online Safety Hub</u>, which contains a variety of educational resources focused on how children and adolescents are using technology.

More information about the parent account/app can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

If you encounter issues activating your account, <u>this short video</u> might be helpful. You may also respond directly to this message for further support.

Have a nice evening,

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# A positive digital education for every child

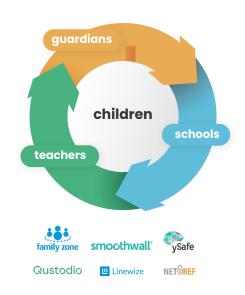
Technology makes a direct impact on children, their families, and their learning environment. For children to learn and grow as digital citizens in our increasingly connected world, we must first lay out the foundations of online safety, digital literacy, and wellbeing.

### **Our collaboration matters**

Our group mission is to bring the wider community together and help parents, guardians, and educators to create a positive digital environment as one.

- †† 15 million children protected
- 23,000+ schools covered
- 3 billion threats averted

Millions of families around the world are supported by our essential protection and the digital tools they need to help children become healthy digital citizens.



### **Building the foundations together**

Qustodio promotes the safety, visibility, and knowledge essential to every child's online journey.

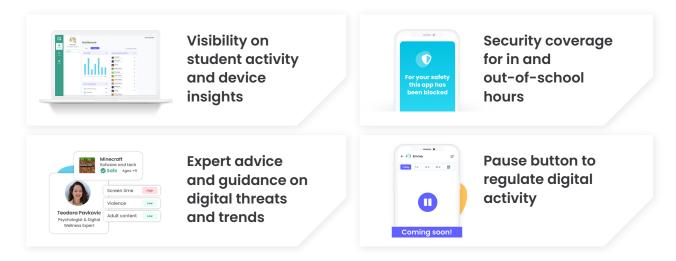
- Safety: Enable families and schools to form a united front against threats
- Visibility: Build a better understanding of children's habits and accountability in the digital world
- Dialogue: Provide expert advice and opportunities for increased participation, to facilitate open conversation and informed decisions
- Digital wellbeing: Help children learn and grow with a safe, healthy and balanced approach to technology.



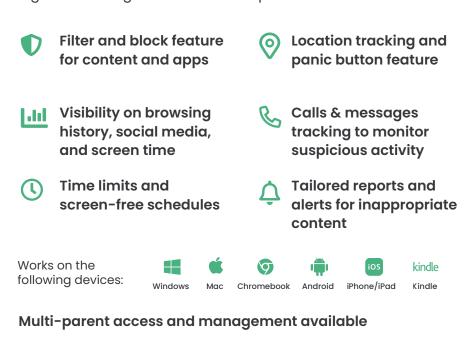
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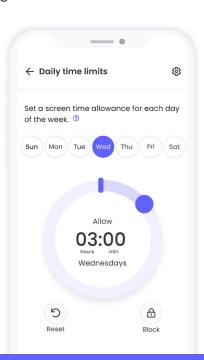
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Through our school district's partnership with Linewize, our online safety and wellbeing provider, we are able to extend visibility and safeguarding controls on to parents and guardians so they can track their child's activity and pause the internet on their school issued devices.



Parents and guardians can also extend protection to personal devices with family-focused digital wellbeing features that adapt to different needs as their child grows:





Qustodio is COPPA compliant and does not share personal data with third parties.



### How to get started

- 1. Scan the QR code or visit qustodio.com/my-school
- 2. Create your account using the email address your school has on file
- 3. Get real-time visibility