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Security as a Service for Schools

On-demand 24/7 protection for your school's systems, data, learners and teachers

With the ever growing demand and availability of the internet in schools, managing it's web security has become more complex and challenging with exposure to internet based threats increasing. The task of protecting against these threats can place a strain on school resources and budget.

Impact of failure to act

- Increasing costs due to your school's IT resources being diverted to manage ever increasing website security breaches or attacks.
- Growing misuse of the internet by students or staff leading to unnecessary distractions as access control policies become more difficult to manage and monitor.
- School ICT systems may be impacted by attacks, disrupting learning for students or impacting on other staff productivity.
- Exposure to legal action by failing to comply with web security legislation.

Northgate's Security as a Service

Northgate's Security as a Service inspects all web traffic for viruses, spyware and inappropriate content ensuring that learners, teachers and other staff are protected from risks and comply with internet usage policies. As the service is operated on your behalf, you are relieved of the burden of managing the infrastructure and attempting to keep pace with the latest threats. In addition, with no hardware or software to manage, your school saves time and money.

Key Features

- Threat protection
- Data Security
- Policy enforcement
- Compliance

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Threat protection

- Stops viruses, spam, spyware and other web-based threats before they reach your network; ensuring students, teachers and school data remains secure.

- Identifies gaps in your security with integrated endpoint and vulnerability scanning, including operating systems, browsers and other installed software.

Data security

- 'Scan ahead' technology that examines all search engine queries and returns colour-coded search page results based on the school's internet access policy to protect learners and teachers from exposure to inappropriate content.

- Enforce internet use policies with web content filtering based on pre-defined categories e.g. URL, web application, attachment type and file type and the ability to block advertisements.

Policy enforcement

- Set internet access policies according to group or user level based on the time of day, location and internet consumption.

- Set and enforce internet access policies no matter where the learner or teacher is, at school or at home with roaming user protection.

Compliance

- Manage your school's internet use and security policies via an intuitive web-based management console.

- Real time logging and reporting displaying sites accessed and downloads, web traffic trends and bandwidth usage.

Benefits

- Predictable, pay-as-you-go pricing with no requirement to purchase or maintain hardware or software
- Easy to manage web-based management console giving you control to set and enforce policies which are suited to your school's specific needs
- Reduces bandwidth usage by blocking content before it enters your network
- Provides you with reassurance and peace of mind, allowing you to focus on teaching and learning
- Saves time and resources dealing with viruses
- Provides visibility and ensures compliance with real-time logging and reporting

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