



Linewize
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CASE STUDY

Jefferson Union High School District

This is the story of one district's journey to create a comprehensive cybersafety ecosystem as a Linewize Partner.



"We chose Linewize for our district because after seeing the other products out there and their cost, it was a "no brainer" to combine web filtering and classroom device management into one solution with Linewize."

Jacob Meyer
Director of Information & Technology



The district

Jefferson Union High School District is located just south of San Francisco and comprise the cities of Daly City, Colma, Brisbane, and Pacifica. The community represents a rich diversity of peoples and cultures which are woven into the fabric of their schools. Schools include four high schools and one continuation high school. In total, they serve some 5,000 students.



"Adam Lee (Regional Sales Director) has been nothing short of amazing. Adam must have done five or six product demos to different stakeholder groups, which helped to gain buy-in. He also offered to filter our take-home devices before we completed the Linewize purchase."

The challenge

Jefferson Union School District was unhappy with their current web filter and was also looking at various classroom management systems. With no SSL decryption, the district had very little visibility into user behavior and search terms.

The Linewize Journey

Jefferson Union High School District met Linewize at the CETPA conference in Anaheim, CA. They had a goal of getting more granularity and the ability to filter devices off-site. The project was slated to launch during the summer of 2020, but as COVID-19 forced school shutdowns, the district needed a quick way to filter off-premises via the cloud. Because of this, the project was accelerated and Linewize was able to filter the devices in one business day. Not only was Jefferson Union able to quickly filter devices off-site, but they were now getting the easy-to-understand, granular reporting they desired.

"We were not a take-home 1:1 district. When the schools shut down, we were scrambling to get devices to students in need. Filtering these devices outside our network was an issue that Linewize solved in a 20 minute conference call."

Outcomes

With a true hybrid solution and SSL decryption, Jefferson Union has been able to quickly filter devices on- and off-premises with deep granularity and the ability to provide the reporting they need to any admin at the district. With the update to 10G hardware, they have been able to get rid of their old hardware and are prepped for a scalable future.

About Linewize

The Linewize ecosystem is a unique response to the challenge of today's connected learning environments. The ecosystem aligns a series of products to help districts stay in regulatory compliance, get the most out of their purchased technology, keep kids cyber-safe at school, and impact the parent community by assisting them in raising good digital citizens. For more information, please visit www.linewize.com.