

Comsift Inc. Announces Support for YouTube for Schools

San Jose, CA – Comsift, Inc. is announcing support for YouTube for Schools with the ComSifter® CS-8D Pro Internet Filter. CS-8D Pro is the flagship of the new product family. The addition of this feature gives users of the CS-8D Pro seamless access to YouTube™ for Schools without allowing users full access to YouTube and the associated time-wasting and bandwidth issues.

Watching YouTube videos has become synonymous with what students do if they have complete access to YouTube. This creates problems for teachers as they try to focus students to the task at hand and to network administrators as they try to balance network bandwidth requirements with the needs of their users. This has led to the majority of K-12 schools banning YouTube on their networks.

YouTube has recognized this problem and has released YouTube for Schools. YouTube for Schools allows an educational institution to set up their own YouTube portal(s) only allowing access to videos approved or uploaded by the institutions' administrators.

Comsift, Inc. realizes the educational benefit this brings to educators and with the addition of this feature to the CS-8D Pro, allows schools to quickly implement YouTube for Schools.

The new feature is applied at the user level in the CS-8D Pro allowing network administrators to enable or disable the feature in each of the units' filters. This allows the school to setup *multiple portals*, each portal tuned to the needs of the students accessing the portal. Students in upper grades could be allowed to access the school's YouTube for School High School portal, while younger students may be allowed to access the YouTube for Schools Elementary portal. The ComSifter analyzes each request to the Internet, and if the request is to YouTube, the ComSifter redirects the request to the School YouTube portal, using the school's unique key(s). This is all done in a fraction of a second and is completely transparent to the user.

Comsift, Inc. continues to add to the capabilities of its recently released Internet filter, the CS-8D Pro. Gigabit support, advanced authentication methods, multi-filter support, integration with Microsoft's™ Active Directory and no licensing fees are all offered at a price point not currently seen in the market.

Pricing & Availability

The new CS-8D Pro with YouTube for Schools support is available now.

Please call to learn about special Academic pricing. All units come with a 30-day money-back guarantee, a one-year hardware warranty, plus web & email support.

About Comsift, Inc.

Founded in 2003, Comsift, Inc. is a private, women-owned business that was founded by parents who were concerned that existing school Internet filtering approaches were not protecting their children from inappropriate content on the Internet. From this successful foundation, Comsift has expanded its product line and technology to address the needs of business owners and users. For more information about the San Jose, CA-based company, phone 866-875-1254, email sales@comsift.com or visit the company's web site at <http://www.comsift.com/>.

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