



**Comments from Parents about the FTC's Proposed COPPA Revisions  
Through Common Sense Media's Website**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 14, 2011 10:29 PM  
**To:** Privacy  
**Subject:** Thanks for updating kids' privacy protections

Silicon Valley family in the non-tech sector (nurse and doctor parents) with four young children (preschool through middle school age)

We attended CSM's Silicon Valley **Town hall about online privacy** and totally agree with CSM's statement: We **MUST HAVE** a "Do Not Track Kids" law that is does not require us to "opt-in/opt-out". Policymakers must take action to protect kids' and teens' online privacy, and keep it **UP TO DATE!** Kids' online behavior shouldn't be tracked, and companies shouldn't be allowed to sell or transfer or make public kids' personal information. The definition of "kids" must include up to legal voting age at least!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2011 5:39 PM  
**To:** Privacy  
**Subject:** Thanks for updating kids' privacy protections

Dear FTC,

Please do everything in your power to see that the proposed changes to the COPPA laws are enacted. We strongly support the protection of kids (18 and under!) privacy.

sincerely,  
[REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPad

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 19, 2011 11:36 AM  
**To:** Privacy  
**Subject:** Thanks for updating kids' privacy protections

Dear FTC representative,

As a parent I am overwhelmed with concern about my ability to keep my children safe from predatory advertising and other online predators. Please think of our children and families and put them before corporate lobbying efforts. As public officials your job is to put the public concerns of parents, such as myself, over the private corporate concerns of companies. Thank you in advance for doing the job you are responsible to do.

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, November 21, 2011 6:43 AM

**To:** Privacy

**Subject:** Thanks for updating kids' privacy protections

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a mother of 3 children under the age of 13. I find it extraordinarily difficult to manage and control their access and use of the web. It is impossible. I have found that when my 9 year old daughter was at a playmate's house they have used an itouch that was connected to the web to search for things, at another house the girl had a youtube account and was making videos, once when she was in third grade & at a neighbor's house they were on the web searching for songs & ventured into pornography accidently on the parent's computer etc. I had no idea until a year later when I was venturing into a talk with her about puberty etc. I would have never expected this and have talked to my daughter about avoiding these things. They are too young to have a full understanding of these things. I cannot control their every movement and keep them from the computer or mobile phone etc. I am frightened of what they see, who is tracking them, and all of the negative influences on them – TV advertising, News, hip hop songs on the radio. It is unbelievable what is permitted to be on the air or accessible to children, and that the government is allowing children to be tracked for advertising and this tracking technology can easily be used by more sinister people. I do not want them tracked or targeted for any reason. I don't even like the fact that I am tracked. **I believe children under the age of 18 should be protected. Please maximize my children's privacy. I want to register two other very strong beliefs that I have:**

**I believe that pornography should not be readily available on the web to ANYONE! If you can't buy it in a candy store freely on a shelf without any monitoring or control by an adult THEN IT SHOULD NOT BE FREELY AVAILABLE ON THE WEB!!!! This is not freedom of speech – this is freedom to protect our kids. PLEASE STOP THIS!!!! I believe that songs that have content about sex or would be considered higher than PG rated, should not be freely played on the radio. I am appalled by the lyrics of songs and talk on the radio by DJs. I feel like I cannot turn on the radio, the news, or the TV anymore when my children are around. What is happening to our culture!!! Thank you for considering my point of view.**

[REDACTED]Randolph, NJ

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 30, 2011 7:48 PM

**To:** Privacy

**Subject:** Thanks for updating kids' privacy protections

We have two daughters who need to be protected as they use the Internet from online predators and data tracking predatory marketing practices. Please support strong legislation to protect ALL children. Thank you.

[REDACTED]Rexford, New York

Sent from my iPad