

Dear Parents,

Last week, a school system in Pennsylvania was highlighted in the news because it has installed software that allows them to remotely activate the iSight camera that is built into the Apple MacBook. They are a 1:1 school system like our schools. They are now being accused of spying on a student using the camera. This has raised privacy and security questions to our office about the MLTI devices and image.

The MLTI image does NOT include the functionality to remotely activate the camera. Neither schools nor the Department of Education have the capability to activate the camera remotely on the MLTI device and MLTI software image. The Department takes security and privacy issues seriously.

The image is specifically configured to prevent unauthorized access to the device. In addition, by default the MLTI image disables the pre-loaded Apple iChat instant messaging and video chatting software for student users.

For more information and helpful tips about the use of video chatting, please see Common Sense Media's resources online at:
<http://www.commonsensemedia.org/video-chatting>