

DID YOU ASK ME?

I am a parent of school age children. My students like myself are required to use the Internet daily for all aspects of academic endeavor. Do I as a parent and student need to be limited as to what I and my students are able to access because of economics. I pay at present for the privilege of Internet access from my home. You now are ready to allow the same companies that offer access to charge fees for the right to access information and services. I am not pleased. The FCC must not cave in to pressure nor ignore my rights and views as a citizen of this country. If the BIG conglomerates do not make enough money from the services they offer at present, it is not your job, mission, and mandate to give them unrestrained profit. By the way I for one was not pleased with your lack of concern that was evidenced in 2005. If I could I would make you roll back and put the restrictions removed back in place. Net Neutrality is essential to free speech, equal opportunity and economic innovation in America. Since the FCC removed this basic protection in 2005, the top executives of phone and cable companies have stated their intention to become the Internet's gatekeepers and to discriminate against Web sites that don't pay their added tolls.

This fundamental change would end the open Internet as we know it. It would damage my ability to connect with others, share information and participate in our 21st century democracy and economy. The FCC must ensure that broadband providers do not block, interfere with or discriminate against any lawful Internet traffic based on its ownership, source or destination.