

Dear FCC,

My name is Michael Connors and I live in Ellicott City, MD.

Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it ISPs could have too much power to determine my Internet experience by providing better access to some services but not others.

A pay-to-play Internet worries me because new, innovative services that can't afford expensive fees for better service will be less likely to succeed.

The internet is important to me because I am a college exercise science student, and in an ever-evolving industry such as this, access to the latest scholarly journals and professional papers is absolutely necessary. Beyond that, I'm part of the generation of kids who grew up with the internet and thus do not know how to use an atlas, we check Wikipedia when we need some quick info on something we know nothing about. The Internet is a near-limitless resource and to taint it by forcing users to pay for certain content and making it exclusive to a single ISP would be a damn shame and several steps backwards to promoting knowledge for the world. You aren't putting a price on a game. You are putting a price on knowledge, creativity, and free will. Please don't do this. You have our collective Internet balls in the palm of your hand, we know you're in charge; don't squeeze.

Sincerely,

Michael Connors