

Options for Home Internet Management and Filtering

Device Name	Price	Review	Video
Circle With Disney https://meetcircle.com/	\$99.00	Lifehacker: Circle Is the Parental Control for the Internet I've Always Wanted PCMAG Review	

What is it?

A small cube that gives you wireless control of all your family's devices. Does not replace your current router. You manage device use through an app on your smartphone.

If a clever child tries to unplug it, it retains power via internal battery, and parent gets a notification.

Optional paid monthly service give you ability to monitor your family's internet activity even when they're outside your home wifi network.

Bark https://www.bark.us/	\$9 (\$99 paid annually) per family (unlimited children and connections)	TechCrunch: Bark helps parents keep kids safe online without invading their privacy	
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What is it?

Not a device, but a subscription service. Sign up and link your child's online accounts, texts, and social media.

"Bark's watchdog engine uses advanced algorithms to look for a variety of potential issues, such as cyberbullying, sexting, drug-related content, and signs of depression. If a potential issue is detected, a text/email alert is sent to you to review the issue, along with recommended actions on how to handle the situation."

Eero https://eero.com	Home WiFi System 3-pack \$ 399.00	Consumer Reports: The Eero Router Solved My WiFi Problems The Verge: Eero's Family Profiles will annoy kids just in time for summer break	
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What is it?

An array of small white devices that amplify wifi signals (3 recommended for an average house). Families can create profiles based on users ages to manage screen time, set schedules, pause the internet signal.

"Each family member is given a profile, and devices can be assigned to that profile. The devices can be nicknamed so they're easier to identify. And parents can set automatic schedules that prevent kids from using the internet at certain times, like when they're supposed to be asleep. If that doesn't work, parents can pause the internet for one family member, instantly revoking access for all of the devices associated with that person."

Luma https://lumahome.com	\$289 for a 3-pack of wifi amplifiers	Wired.com Review: Luma Makes Your Home Wi-Fi Smart, Secure, and Somehow Fun	
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What is it?

Another array of small white devices that amplify wifi signals (3 recommended for an average house). Connects to Amazon's Alexa devices. Set ratings for users (G, PG, PG-13, etc). Set schedules, pause internet, see who's using your network and revoke access. Invite visitors to join your network via text message.

Google OnHub	\$199	PCMAG Review	
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What is it?

Google's entry into the home router fray is compelling, but it's a work in progress. Typically, Google releases software that is very limited at first, then slowly rolls out very powerful and impressive features once they know they can do it better than competitors. In this case, the router hardware is solid, but it lacks some software features that the competitors do: most notably, parental controls. This is a major missing feature, but one that will surely come soon.

Kindera https://kindera.com/	\$200: No added fees for first year, rising to \$9 monthly fee thereafter.	Kindera helps Durham parents monitor web access by their kids	
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What is it?

Works with your existing router. Allows you monitor all sites visited, and set filters to set boundaries and block unsavory sites. Set times limits and create schedules for online access. Parents can get notifications when children visit off-limits sites. Each child have have a customized profile based on age and maturity. This could be a promising choice, but there's not a lot of reviews or literature about this product. There are no Amazon ratings yet, and it's been on the market since March.

