
TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE
Information Technology Resources in the Schools

The school's information technology resources, including email and Internet access, are provided for educational purposes. Adherence to the following policy is necessary for continued access to the school's technological resources:

I WILL RESPECT AND PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF OTHERS

- I will use only my assigned accounts.
- I will not view, use, or copy passwords, data, or networks to which I am not authorized.

I WILL NOT

- post anything rude, offensive, or threatening.
- send, text or forward images and information that might embarrass, hurt, or harass someone either through any network, including cell phone accessible networks.
- take anyone's personal information and use it to damage his or her reputation
- not post or distribute private information about others or myself.
- use network access or telecommunications to bully another person.
- build a fake profile or website;
- post or encourage others to post on the Internet private, personal or sexual information regarding a school employee;
- post a real or doctored image of a school employee on the Internet;
- accessing, altering or erasing any computer network, data, program or software or breaking into a password-protected account or stealing or other-wise accessing passwords; and
- sending repeated, continuing or sustained emails to school employees.
- make statements, whether true or false, intending to immediately provoke, and is likely to provoke, any third party to stalk or harass a school employee.
- copy and disseminate any data pertaining to a school employee for the purpose of intimidating or tormenting that employee.
- sign-up a school employee for a pornographic Internet site; and
- Without permission, sign-up a school employee to receive junk email and instant messages.
- create a "hot spot" or utilize a 3rd party carrier to initiate activity or engage in any action that is prohibited in this acceptable use policy.

I WILL THINK BEFORE I POST OR FORWARD

- I agree not to post, share information and images that could put me at risk, embarrass me, or damage my future, such as
 - cell home phone numbers
 - home address
 - sexual messages (sexting)
 - inappropriate pictures and videos

I WILL PROTECT MYSELF ONLINE

- If someone makes me feel uncomfortable or if someone is rude or offensive: I will not respond. I will save the evidence and tell my parent, guardian, teacher or another trusted adult. I will then report to the website, cell phone company, CyberTipline.com, or the police

I WILL PROTECT AND RESPECT THE INTEGRITY, AVAILABILITY, AND SECURITY OF ALL ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

- observe all network security practices, as posted.

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- report security risks or violations to a teacher or network administrator.
- not destroy or damage data, networks, or other resources that do not belong to them, without clear permission of the owner.
- conserve, protect, and share these resources with other students and Internet users.
- refrain from circumventing or attempting to circumvent the filter. Follow appropriate procedures to unblock needed web sites and applications.

I WILL RESPECT AND PROTECT THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OF OTHERS

- not infringe copyrights (no making illegal copies of music, games, or movies!).
- not plagiarize.

I WILL ONLY ATTEMPT TO DO THE FOLLOWING IF ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICIES DISCUSSED IN THIS

- design and post web activities which may include web sites/pages and other material from school resources, when completed in conjunction with a class, curriculum assignment, or under the supervision of an instructor or sponsor for school purposes.
- use direct communications such as online chat or instant messaging with a teacher's permission only.
- install or download software, if also in conformity with laws and licenses, and under the supervision of a teacher.
- use the resources for any educational purpose.

I UNDERSTAND THE CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATION

- Violations of these rules may result in disciplinary action, including the loss of a student's privileges to use the school's information technology resources. These privileges could be suspended for a time, or suspended indefinitely depending upon the severity of the activity.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FOR MY SAFETY, NETWORK ACTIVITIES ARE SUPERVISED AND MONITORED

- School and network administrators and their authorized employees monitor the use of information technology resources to help ensure that uses are secure and in conformity with this policy. Administrators reserve the right to examine, use, and disclose any data found on the school's information networks, or any network utilized within the school, in order to further the health, safety, discipline, or security of any student or other person, or to protect property. They may also use this information in disciplinary actions, and will furnish evidence of crime to law enforcement. Teachers and building administrators also have full latitude to make decisions regarding the student's information technology usage and discipline accordingly.

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTAND MY OBLIGATIONS:

Student _____ Date _____

Parent / Guardian _____ Date _____