

USE OF INTERNET REGULATIONS

The School Board provides access to the Internet to students, teachers, staff and administrators. The Board believes that there are appropriate regulations to maximize effective educational use of the Internet and minimize abuse of the opportunity being provided to our schools. Ethical, efficient and legal use of any network is the key to a successful linkage with the Internet. Accordingly, regulations for participation by anyone on the Internet shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. Users must demonstrate honest, integrity, and respect for others at all times. Appropriate manners and language shall be required.
2. No individual student shall be permitted to have an e-mail account. Only teachers and classes as a whole may be permitted to use e-mail. E-mail is not guaranteed to be private on the Internet. Therefore, only appropriate teacher or class messages shall be allowed.
3. No photographs, personal addresses, personal phone numbers, or last names will be permitted in student use of the Internet, unless written consent of the parents is on file.
4. Illegal activities, including copyright or contract violations shall not be permitted. The Internet may not be used for financial or commercial gain, including fund raising projects.
5. Threatening, profane, or abusive messages shall be forbidden.
6. No activities shall be allowed which may damage or interrupt equipment or any networking system.
7. Any attempt to alter, harm or destroy the data of another user of the Internet, or any network on the Internet shall be forbidden.
8. No user is permitted to upload, or create, a computer virus on the Internet or any networking system.
9. Resources offered by the Internet and paid for by the Board may not be willfully wasted.
10. A user shall not attempt to access any Internet resources or entities not previously authorized by the teacher.
11. Invading the privacy of another user, or using their account, shall not be tolerated.
12. Posting personal messages without the author's consent shall be forbidden.
13. Sending or posting anonymous messages shall be forbidden.

14. Perusing or otherwise accessing obscene, vulgar, pornographic, racist, gang-related, hate or other inappropriate material, or using profanity in messages shall be forbidden.

15. Perusing or otherwise accessing information on manufacturing bombs or other incendiary devices shall be forbidden.

16. Product advertising, political lobbying, or sending messages involving illegal activities shall not be permitted. Violations shall be reported to the teacher when evidence of such is encountered on the Internet.

17. Any subscriptions to blogs, bulletin boards, or on-line services shall be approved by the Superintendent or his designee prior to any such usage.

18. When a security problem is detected, it shall be reported immediately to the teacher. The problem shall not be demonstrated to other users.

19. A user who accesses, sends, receives, or configures electronically any profane or obscene language or pictures shall be subject to disciplinary action, depending on the severity of the offense, up to and including expulsion.

No one shall be permitted to use the Internet unless a completed Internet Usage Contract has been submitted to the Superintendent or designee

Student Signature & Date

Parent Signature & Date