

PROCEDURES FOR INTERNET USE

Internet Acceptable Use

All student Internet users will be introduced to the proper protocol regarding electronic communication.

This includes:

1. Respect for privacy
2. Dissemination of personal information
3. Confidentiality of information and passwords
4. Use of appropriate language
5. Use of appropriate sites; sites with violent themes or content, sexually explicit themes or content, sites that advocate hatred, intolerance or contain language unsuitable for a school setting are not appropriate
6. Proper adherence to applicable copyright laws
7. Reasonable limitations of file space use

Parental Permission For Internet Use

Parents will sign the attached Internet Use form when their student enters the District. The permission form will be kept in the student's record folder.

At the start of each school year a list of students not permitted to use the Internet in the school setting will be generated and distributed to appropriate faculty and staff. These lists will be updated as needed.

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The District will actively maintain and update filtering software to regulate appropriate use of the Internet. Instructors and staff members are responsible for monitoring student use of the Internet, which will be consistent with the District's educational mission. However, the responsibility for proper use of the Internet as outlined in this procedure rests with each student.

Any student that accidentally accesses inappropriate materials is to immediately notify the staff member in charge. If a student has any question about a site, the student has an obligation to ask the staff member in charge whether the site can be accessed. Chat rooms or similar sites are not to be accessed.

Computer 'hacking' in all forms is prohibited. District technology equipment is not to be used to gain unauthorized access to other computers, networks or technology systems. Anyone attempting to gain unauthorized access to the District's computer systems or network(s) may be subject to legal prosecution.

Students or their parents are liable for damage to the District's technology resources including all equipment, media and the District network. They are liable for vandalism, theft or destruction as well as any violation of copyright laws committed while using District technology resources. They are likewise liable for any damage caused to remote equipment from unauthorized access, willful misuse or 'hacking'.

Consequences for Misuse of the Internet

Each building administrator will develop and publish the disciplinary actions related to misuse of technology

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Acceptable Use Form

STUDENT

Student Name: _____
(please print)

I understand that the use of the Internet is a privilege and I will abide by the Laconia School District Policy and Procedures on the use of the Internet. I also understand that any violation of the Policy is unethical and may result in loss of network access and that legal or disciplinary action may result.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian: Please read over the accompanying Policy on the use of the Internet and sign below. In order for a student to use the Internet, he or she needs to have a signed form on file. If you do not wish your student to use the Internet, sign on the bottom line. Please keep the attached policy for your records. If you have any questions, please call the school.

SPONSORING PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Parent or Guardian Name: _____
(please print)

I have read the Policy on the use of the Internet. I understand that the Internet carries a wide range of materials and resources, some of which I may find objectionable. I hereby give my permission for my child to use the Internet under school supervision. I also accept any legal or financial obligations resulting from my son or daughter's misuse of the Internet. I understand that my signature is good for the duration of my child's enrollment in Laconia School District. I understand it is my responsibility to review this policy in the handbook annually.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

I **DO NOT WANT** my son or daughter to use the Internet. I understand that my refusal may limit my child's ability to use some school resources available to other students.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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