

Form

ACCEPTABLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR NETWORK ACCESS

RIVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

The guidelines below reflect the Riverton School District's "Internet Safety and Technology" Policy # 6142.10. By signing I/we acknowledge that if my son/daughter commits any violation that access privileges may be revoked, district disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

HOMEROOM TEACHER: _____

The Riverton School District's Internet network is provided for students and staff to conduct research and to communicate with others. Use of this network must be consistent with the educational mission of the school district.

Access to network services is provided to users who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Access is a privilege, not a right. Access entails responsibility. It is understood that anyone using this Internet network has agreed to abide by this Acceptable Use Policy.

Individual users of the district computer networks are responsible for their behavior and communications over those networks. Student users will comply with district Board Policy #5114 – "Suspension and Expulsion" and Policy #5131 – "Conduct/Discipline".

Network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on district servers will always be private.

The following are not permitted:

Sending or displaying or printing obscene/pornographic message or pictures

Using vulgar language

Using harassing, insulting, or harmful language including, but not limited to ethnic, racial, religious, and sexual slurs

Damaging computers, computer systems, or computer networks

Violating copyright laws

Trespassing in another's folders, work, or files

Using the network for commercial purposes

Downloading and printing to excess

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Playing games or using “chat” rooms to socialize

The school reserves the right to restrict access to other areas that may not be specifically covered in the above list but may be deemed to be contrary to the best interests of the student and school.

Violations will result in a loss of privileges and may result in disciplinary or legal action.

Rules for Network Access

1. The use of a network account must be in support of education and research consistent with the educational objectives of the district, school and teacher.
2. Transmission of any material in violation of U.S., State, or Local regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secrets.
3. Use for product advertisement, political lobbying, or personal financial or material gain is prohibited.
4. Use for commercial activities by for-profit institutions is prohibited.
5. Be polite. Do not write or send threatening or abusive messages to others.
6. Use appropriate language. Use of obscene or degrading language is prohibited.
7. It is recommended that the user not reveal their personal address or phone number. Distributing the address or phone number of another person is prohibited.
8. Network resources, information, and electronic mail are not guaranteed to be private. Persons operating the system have access to all network resources. Any items containing inappropriate material or relating to illegal activities will be reported to the appropriate authorities.
9. Do not use the network in a manner that would disrupt the use of the network by others. This includes, but is not limited to, sending mass e-mail messages, attempting to infect the system with a computer virus, attempting to “crash the system”, intentionally wasting network resources, or annoying other users in any fashion.
10. Accessing any account other than the one assigned to you is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to guessing or stealing another user’s account access. Certain “public” accounts allow access to resources such as the school’s library. Those “public” accounts are considered open to all users.
11. Allowing another user to gain access to your account is prohibited. Do not give anyone your password.
12. Use of the network to facilitate plagiarism is prohibited. No user shall misrepresent another person’s work as their own, or allow their work to be misrepresented as belonging to someone else.

It is understood that access to the computer networks in the school system is a privilege, not a right. Failure to abide by the rules in this document could result in the revocation of access privileges, disciplinary action, or legal action, as deemed appropriate.

The Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex or disability in employment, educational programs, or activities.