



INTERNET/TECHNOLOGY - ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Introduction

The Washington Township Board of Education presents the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for students and professional use of the Internet / Technology. It is important that educators, parents and their children read, discuss and understand the AUP before using these services. This is a written agreement signed by the student and their parents/guardians that outlines the Terms and Conditions of Internet/Technology use in our district.

Terms and Conditions

The Washington Township School District views technology as a tool that supports teaching and learning techniques. Computers are to support the state based curriculum and usage is not to deviate from the curriculum. The use of technology in school is considered a privilege and is an educational opportunity. With this educational opportunity also comes responsibilities and consequences of users. Access to Internet services and/or technology is provided to students who act in a considerate, responsible and ethical manner. The following items outline basic responsibilities of the Washington Township School District.

Educators are responsible for development of research skills for students to access the Internet.

Research skills currently taught through the public school curriculum, such as selection and critical evaluation of source material, apply to electronic media in the same manner as traditional print materials.

The Washington Township School District will make every reasonable effort to reduce the risk of student exposure to objectionable materials by monitoring usage and work product.

Code of Ethics

- Users will not communicate inaccurate, inflammatory or offensive ideas or language.
- Users will not access the Internet for exchange of offensive materials of any kind (verbal, visual or auditory).
- Users will not use Internet for private, commercial, political, or religious purposes or any illegal activity.
- Users will conform to copyright laws regarding reasonable use.

Responsibility

- Users should be courteous, sensitive, and considerate of others. If in doubt about a message, do not send it.
- Users shall never give any passwords to others.
- Users shall never give out their home address, phone number, or those of anyone else.
- Users are urged to report any problems or violations to their teachers immediately.
- Users will not modify hardware and/or software in any way.
- Users will follow rules and expectations for both on-site and remote learning (see attached)

Consequences

Disciplinary actions regarding inappropriate student behavior will be determined to be consistent with existing practices. Violations will result in loss of Internet/Technology access privileges.





Microsoft 365 & Internet Acceptable Use Policy
(Valid for Current School Year)

STUDENT CONTRACT (Grades 2-6)

I have read the Terms and Conditions for the use of technology in Washington Township School District. I understand and will abide by the stated Terms and Conditions. I further understand that violation of the regulations is unethical, a violation of school rules and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit a violation, I understand that my access privileges may be revoked, and school disciplinary action may be taken. Appropriate legal action may also result.

User Name (Print): _____ Teacher: _____

User Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTRACT (All Parents Grades K – 6)

As the parent/guardian of this student, I have read the Terms and Conditions for acceptable use of technology resources in Washington Township School District. I understand that access is designed for educational purposes and that the school has taken available precautions to eliminate controversial material. However, I also recognize it is impossible for Washington Township School District and the system administrators to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired on the network.

I hereby agree to the conditions listed in the above paragraph, and therefore give my permission to allow my student computer usage and network access at Washington Township School District.

Parent/Guardian (print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone Number (Home): _____

Phone Number (Cell): _____

Reminder: Review and Complete the Student iPad Loaner Contract.

