

Union
County
Schools

Acceptable Use Policy Terms and Conditions for Technology/Internet Use

(Student)

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Union County School System has access to computers, networks, and the Internet. This technology is the most effective way we have found for introducing students to the global nature of information. It allows users to find, synthesize and share information in a variety of unique ways.

The Internet has come about because groups of individuals have chosen to network their computers in order to share information. A small minority have made objectionable materials available over the Internet. Union County School System takes every precaution to restrict access to this information. However, an industrious user may discover it. We firmly believe that the valuable information and interaction available on the Internet far outweigh the possibility that users may obtain unsuitable material. Disciplinary action will be taken by the Union County Director of Schools and/or the Union County Board of Education against users found sending or acquiring objectionable materials over the Internet. The Union County Board of Education defines objectionable materials as "any comment, request, suggestion, proposal, image or other communication that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards, sexual or excretory activities or organs."

The Union County Board of Education will expect the building level administrator to police this situation. He/she shall monitor his/her students and staff.

Please remember the following:

- Computer passwords should never be written or shared!
- All network communication must be polite, kind and free from inappropriate language.
- Electronic mail is not guaranteed to be private.
- Personal work and electronic mail shall be deleted regularly. File server space is limited.
- Personal addresses, phone numbers, and financial information shall not be included in network communication.
- No attempt to tamper with other people's data or to gain unauthorized access to accounts or files on the networks, including the Internet, is permitted.
- The Union County School System does not own the copyright on any of its software and, except for a single copy for backup purposes or unless expressly authorized by the copyright owner(s), does not have the right to reproduce it.
- The system administrator should be consulted if questions arise involving network or Internet.

I understand that computer, network and Internet use at the Union County School System is a privilege and not a right and that my use of this privilege may be revoked at any time for any reason.

As a condition of my use of the computers, networks, and Internet, I will abide by the above Terms and Conditions for Technology/Internet use at the Union County School System, and by any future terms or conditions that may be developed. I understand disciplinary action will be taken if I am found abusing my computer, network, or Internet privileges.

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According to U.S. copyright law, unauthorized reproduction of software is a federal offense. Offenders can be subject to civil damages of as much as \$100,000 per title copied, and criminal penalties, including fines up to \$250,000 per work copied, and imprisonment up to 5 years per title copied.

User Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

User Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

*(If you are under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must also read and sign this agreement)*

As the parent and/or guardian of this student, I have read the terms and conditions of this agreement. I hereby give my permission to issue a network and/or Internet account for my child.

Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_