

Name (Please Print) _____

Internet Use Agreement - Grades 6-12

This Acceptable Use Policy and Guidelines are provided so that Internet users are aware of the responsibilities that accompany such use. In general this requires efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the network resources. If a district user violates any one these provisions, his or her privileges/account will be terminated and future access could possibly be denied. The signature(s) at the end of this document is (are) legally binding and indicate the party (parties) who signed has (have) read the terms and conditions carefully and understand (s) their significance.

Internet - Terms and Conditions

- 1) **Acceptable Use** - The use of telecommunications and email must be in support of education and research and consistent with the educational objectives of the North Haven School District. Transmission of any material in violation of any United States or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret. Use for commercial activities, product advertisement or political lobbying is prohibited.
- 2) **Privileges** - The use of the network and/or Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges.
- 3) **Network Etiquette** - You are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include (but are not limited to) the following:
 - a) Be polite. Do not get abusive in your messages to others.
 - b) Use appropriate language. Do not swear, use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language. Illegal activities are strictly forbidden.
 - c) Do not reveal your personal address or phone number or those of students.
 - d) Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system do have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.
 - e) Do not use the network in such a way that you would disrupt the use of the network by other users.
 - f) All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.
 - g) Be advised that the use of proxy servers to bypass filters is strictly forbidden.
- 4) The district will not be responsible for any damages such as loss of data resulting from delays, nondeliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by negligence, errors or omissions. The district specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained from the Internet.
- 5) **Security** - Attempts to log on to the Internet as a system administrator will result in cancellation of user privileges. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to Internet.
- 6) **Vandalism** - Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges and/or disciplinary/legal action. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, the district network or the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses. If there is any cost involved in repairing such vandalism, the cost will be assumed by the parent/guardian or the student if he/she is 18 years or older.
- 7) **Access to PowerSchool** for students and parents is a privilege and the level of access for students and parents will be determined by the school district.

8) The use of a personal laptop on the district network is not guaranteed. No privacy exists.

Student and Parent/Guardian must complete the following:

1. Student: I understand and will abide by the above Internet Use Agreement.

Signature _____ School _____

Grade _____ Date _____

2. Parent/Guardian: I _____ do / _____ do not give permission for

_____ to access, produce, and communicate information on the
child's name Internet.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date