

NETWORK AND ACCEPTABLE USE

The purpose of the school network and Internet is (a) to support research and education in and among academic institutions in the U.S.; (b) to provide access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work; (c) to allow that each student has access to the network and Internet through an account and will be instructed in the proper use of the network.

CAS' computer network system accesses a global computer network (internet) connecting millions of computers used by tens of millions of people worldwide. Through the internet a user has access to electronic messages (e-mail) connecting with other users worldwide; information and news from a variety of sources (i.e., newspapers, university libraries, and many other information sources); public domain and shareware software of all types; and discussion groups on a wide variety of topics (i.e., chat room, news group, etc.)

CAS considers the following to be inappropriate use of the computers and school network:

- To use bulletin boards or chat lines for personal use.
- To reveal personal information, home address or phone numbers of students, teachers or other staff members.
- To violate the privacy of others by learning, sharing or using their password.
- To copy, change, read or use files from another user without prior permission from that user.
- To attempt unauthorized access to system programs or computer equipment (hacking).
- To use the computer system to disturb or harass other computer users.
- To use inappropriate language in communications.

Parent, student and faculty must be aware:

- To transmit copyrighted, threatening, obscene or any material which is in violation of national or state regulations is prohibited.
- Users may encounter material on a network or internet which they do not consider appropriate (i.e., vulgar jokes, statement of beliefs that some might consider immoral, etc.).
- Users are responsible for not pursuing material that could be considered offensive.
- Software is protected by copyright laws; therefore, students will not make unauthorized copies of software and will not give, lend or sell copies of software to others. Shareware laws must be respected.
- Users will not bring software applications, games or CD-ROM's from home to be used on school equipment.
- Teachers and network administrators have access to all email, files and folders.
- Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities must be reported to appropriate authorities.

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Student Network Responsibility Contract

I have received, understand and will abide by the Policy. I understand and acknowledge that the failure to comply with this Policy may result in disciplinary action. I also understand that I do not have a right to privacy in any information stored on my computer or transmitted to or from my computer via the Internet. I further understand that any violation of the Policy is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked, school disciplinary action may be taken, and/or appropriate legal action initiated.

Student's Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Parent or Guardian Network Responsibility Contract

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have received, understand and will abide by the Policy. I understand that this access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes. I am aware that it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will hold them harmless for materials acquired through my child's use of the Electronic Services. Further, I accept full responsibility for my child's violation of the Policy if and when my child's use of the Electronic Services is in a school setting. I hereby give permission for my child to use the schools' Electronic Services and to have Internet access and certify that I have reviewed this Policy with my child.

Parent/Guardian Name: (Please Print) _____

Signature _____

Date _____
