

USD 204 Acceptable Use Policy

Purpose

USD 204 is committed to creating a digital age environment to provide equitable access to technology that will aid our students in becoming self-directed learners, collaborative team players, and information producers as well as information consumers. Providing students and staff with a digital age learning environment is part of the USD 204 core values.

Agreement for Acceptable Use of the Electronic Internet Communications System (AUP)

Students may be given access to the District's wireless internet. This educational opportunity comes with responsibility. Inappropriate system use will result in the loss of the privilege.

***It is expected that any device brought into the district will have 1) an updated web browser from which students are able to access necessary tools, 2) current antivirus software; and 3) be fully charged and maintained to work properly during the day. The school district is not responsible for any devices (lost, stolen or damaged).**

RULES FOR APPROPRIATE USE: Personal or School Owned Equipment

- Students will be assigned an individual account and are responsible for not sharing the password for that account with others.
- The account is to be used for identified educational purposes.
- Students will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of your account, and the District may suspend or revoke your access if you violate the rules.
- Students will be held responsible for any postings to a social networking site that would "materially disrupt classwork, involve substantial disorder, or interfere with the rights of others." [Tinker, 393 U.S. at 506.]

INAPPROPRIATE USES: Personal or School Owned Equipment

- Using the system for any illegal purpose.
- Logging into someone else's account.
- Encrypting communications to avoid security review.
- Posting personal information about yourself or others (such as addresses and phone numbers).
- Disabling, bypassing, or attempting to disable any Internet filtering device.
- Downloading or utilizing copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder.
- Intentionally introducing a virus to the computer system.
- Download public domain programs to the system without permission.
- Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources.
- Posting messages, accessing, or possessing materials that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, or threatening. This prohibition applies to conduct off school property if it results in a substantial disruption to the educational environment.
- Purposefully take, disseminate, transfer, or share abusive, obscene, lewd, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or otherwise illegal images or photographs.

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE

- Suspension of access to the system; or
- Other disciplinary or legal action, in accordance with the USD 204 Student Code of Conduct and applicable laws; or
- Revocation of the computer system account.

These are the laws and policies that help to protect our students online:

Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA)

The School is required by CIPA to have technology measures and policies in place that protect students from harmful materials including those that are obscene and pornographic. This means that student e-mail is filtered. Mail containing harmful content from inappropriate sites will be blocked.

CIPA - <http://fcc.gov/cgb/consumerfacts/cipa.html>

Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)

COPPA applies to commercial companies and limits their ability to collect personal information from children under 13. By default, Google advertising is turned off for Apps for Education users. No personal student information is collected for commercial purposes. This permission form allows the School to act as an agent for parents in the collection of information within school context. The School's use of student information is solely for education purposes.

COPPA - <http://www.business.ftc.gov/privacy-and-security/childrens-privacy>

USD 204 Acceptable Use Parent/Guardian Contract

Any student who will use a school or personally owned technology device must work within accordance with this agreement on USD 204 property, must read, and sign this contract electronically.

1. Students in USD 204 will be allowed to bring personally owned electronic devices for use during the school day.
2. The student is responsible for keeping his or her device in their possession or properly securing it, at all times. District personnel are not responsible for the security or condition of student's personal devices.
3. The student is responsible for the proper care of personal technology devices, including all maintenance and repair, replacement or modifications, and software updates necessary to effectively use the device. District technicians will NOT service, repair, or maintain any personal equipment.
4. The District reserves the right to inspect personal technology devices if there is reason to believe that it was used to violate USD 204 policies, administrative procedures, school rules, or for general misconduct.
5. Violations may result in the loss of privilege to use personal or school owned technology, and/or disciplinary and legal action, as appropriate.
6. The student must comply with the teachers' request to refrain from using a device, verify/display the authentication login screen, or to power down (turn off) the device.
7. The student may **not** use any devices to record, transmit or post photos or video of a person. Images, video, and audio files recorded at school may not be transmitted or posted at any time, without the expressed permission of a district staff member.
8. The student should only use personal technology devices with consent and under the direct supervision of a district faculty member.
9. All users are required to utilize the District's secured wireless network to access the Internet.
10. USD 204 will not be held liable for personal content housed on the device. Any software residing on the equipment must not interfere with the normal operation of district owned resources and must be properly licensed.
11. USD 204 is not responsible for any physical damage, loss, or theft of the device.
12. Students are responsible for taking their equipment home each day and returned the next day with a full charge.

NOTE: The use of private 3G & 4G wireless connections is not allowed!!

Print Student's Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

I understand and agree to abide by the Acceptable Use Policy and Guidelines. I understand that violation of these provisions may result in suspension or revocation of system access. Parents/guardians and students must agree by signature to the conditions of the Acceptable Use Policy *prior* to access being given to the student.

Student Signature

Date

As a parent I understand that my child will be responsible for abiding by the above policy and guidelines. I have read and discussed this with her/him and they understand the responsibility they have while using their personal devices. In the event that he/she violates this agreement, the district may confiscate and inspect the device, and appropriately discipline my child.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Signature

Date