

INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

The Internet

The Ash Grove R-IV School District is pleased to offer its student's access to the Internet through the district's computer network system. The Internet is a worldwide communications network through which students may communicate with other Internet users through textual, graphic and audio transmissions. To gain access to the Internet through the district's computer system, all students must sign and submit an Internet User Agreement Waiver and Release. All students under the age of 18 must also obtain the signature of a parent or legal guardian.

In addition to enabling direct communication between users, access to the Internet enables students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and bulletin boards that exist on computer servers around the world. The district's sole intent in providing access to the Internet is to further educational goals and objectives. Students and parents are warned that users may, either intentionally or unintentionally, access textual, graphic and/or auditory information that is pornographic, sexually explicit, illegal, defamatory and otherwise offensive to the user or others. Access to the above material is strictly prohibited by this **Agreement**. However, it is impossible for the district to completely prevent access to such material even with the use of a filtering system or software installed on the district's network and/or computers. It is the responsibility of students and parents to set appropriate standards concerning the access and use of material contained on the Internet. The district respects the right of each student and parent to decide whether or not the student will be permitted access to the Internet.

Conditions and Rules of Use

Access to the Internet through the district's computer system is not a right it is a privilege. Accordingly, all users must comply with the following conditions and rules of use:

1. Users shall not access, view, transfer or store any material in any form that is pornographic, sexually explicit, illegal, defamatory or potentially offensive to others.
2. Users who unintentionally access such material shall immediately terminate such access.
3. Users shall not harass, insult, or attack others.
4. Users shall not damage computers, computer systems, computer networks or computer data.
5. Users shall not use another user's password.
6. Users shall not trespass in the folders, work, files or data of others.
7. User shall not intentionally waste user time and resources.
8. Users shall not use Internet access for any commercial activity.
9. Users shall not use Internet access for political lobbying.
10. Users shall abide by all federal, state or local laws.
11. Users shall not use Internet access for non-academic activities when other users require the system for academic purposes.
12. Users shall not use chat or "Chat Room" for E-mail purposes.

Violation of any of the foregoing conditions and rules of use shall be grounds for immediate termination of Internet use privileges.

ASH GROVE INTERNET WAIVER AND RELEASE

STUDENT FORM

WARNING! This document contains a waiver, release and indemnity clause pursuant to which you are relinquishing rights guaranteed to you by law. You are encouraged to consult an attorney before signing this document.

I hereby consent to the conditions and rules of use in the Ash Grove student handbook. I understand that the Internet contains material that is pornographic, sexually explicit, illegal, defamatory and otherwise offensive to some people. I understand that it is impossible for the district to prevent access to such material. I hereby forever waive any cause of action whatsoever against the district, its board of education, officers, administrators, teachers, agents and volunteers which may accrue by reason of my access to the Internet. I hereby forever release said parties from any liability, whatsoever which may arise, by reason of my access to the Internet. I hereby indemnify and hold harmless said parties for any and all claims resulting from my access to the Internet and actions taken by me in connection with such access. I understand that by executing this **Internet Agreement, Waiver and Release**, I am relinquishing rights guaranteed to me by law.

Student Signature

Date

PARENTAL FORM

As the parent or legal guardian of the above student, I **grant permission** for my son or daughter to access the Internet. I understand that the Internet contains material that is pornographic, sexually explicit, illegal, defamatory, and otherwise offensive to some people. I understand that it is impossible for the district to prevent access to such material. I hereby forever waive any cause of action whatsoever against the district, its board of education, officers, teachers, employees, agents and volunteers which may accrue by reason of my child's access to the Internet. I hereby forever release said parties from any liability whatsoever that may arise by reason of my child's access to the Internet. I hereby indemnify and hold harmless said parties for any and all claims resulting from my child's access to the Internet and actions taken by my child in connection with such access. I understand that by executing this **Internet Agreement, Waiver and Release**, I am relinquishing rights guaranteed to me by law. PLEASE SIGN AND DATE **ONLY ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING CHOICES:

I GRANT PERMISSION _____ I DENY (DO NOT GRANT PERMISSION) _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Name of Student (Print)

This form will provide internet use permission throughout the duration of the students enrollment unless we are notified by the parent or guardian that the permission is no longer granted for whatever reason.