

# OROVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Technology Department Student Internet Acceptable Use Policy

### General Guidelines

The Internet and other on-line resources provided by the district are intended to be used to support the educational goals of the district. The network and computers are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner consistent with the mission of the Oroville School District.

### Acceptable Use Agreement

Because the Internet contains an un-moderated and un-verified collection of resources, the district cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information or the appropriateness of any material that a student may access. This agreement shall specify user obligations and responsibilities and shall protect the district from any legal judgment or damages resulting from the use or misuse of the technological network resources of Oroville School District.

### Supervision

Certificated staff shall direct and supervise students while using on-line services at School, and may ask appropriate instructional aides to assist in this supervision.

### User obligations & responsibilities

Students are authorized to use the district's on-line services in accordance with the user obligations and responsibilities specified below.

1. The student in whose name an on-line services account is issued is responsible for its proper use at all times. **Users shall keep personal account numbers, home addresses and telephone numbers private.** They shall use the system only under their own account number. This applies to Family and Student Access, as well as any other Internet or Email login that may be provided by the districts instructors.
2. **The district's system shall be used only for purposes related to education.** Commercial, political and/or personal use unrelated to the Educational Curriculum of the Oroville School District is strictly prohibited.
3. **The district reserves the right to monitor any on-line communications for improper use.** Electronic communications and downloaded material, browsing histories, including files deleted from a user's account, may be monitored or read by district administration.
4. **The use of the district's system is a privilege, not a right,** and inappropriate use may result in a cancellation of those privileges, upon review and consideration by the Principal.
5. **Students are prohibited from accessing, posting, submitting, publishing or displaying harmful**

**matter** or material that is obscene, disruptive or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as a threat, harassment or disparagement of others based on their race, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion or political beliefs.

6. Students are prohibited from using any online resource for the purpose of connecting with individuals for any purpose unrelated to the Educational Curriculum of the Oroville School District. **Personal sites and pages are prohibited**, as are sites similar to MySpace, as we cannot control who tries to contact and influence you on those sites while at school. Any WIKI or BLOG site must be used under the direct instruction and supervision of your teacher.

7. Users **shall not use the system to encourage the use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco**, nor shall they promote unethical practices or any activity prohibited by law or district policy.

8. Copyrighted material may not be placed on the system without the author's permission. Users may download copyrighted material for their own use only, not to repost on web sites or other documents for further distribution to others. **This includes music files, images, or text belonging to others.**

9. **Online Streaming Video and or Music, similar but not restricted to Internet Radio, YouTube, Yahoo Music and Video, sites are prohibited**, unless directly and provably related to the current curriculum under the instruction of your instructor.

10. **Vandalism, physical or electronic, will result in the cancellation of user privileges.** Vandalism includes the intentional uploading, downloading or creating computer viruses and/or any malicious attempt to harm or destroy district equipment or materials or the data of any other user.

11. **Users shall not read other users' mail or files**; they shall not attempt to interfere with other users' ability to send or receive electronic mail, nor shall they attempt to delete, copy, modify or forge other users' mail.

12. **Users shall report any security problem or misuse** of the services to the teacher or principal. Deliberate attempts to degrade or disrupt system performance will be viewed as criminal activity under applicable state and federal law.

**Students who fail to abide by district rules shall be subject to disciplinary action, revocation of the user account and legal action as appropriate.**

The Principal shall decide if any of the above regulations, have been violated, or if other unsafe or unethical practices that are similar in intent to the above regulations have been committed. The Principal will determine the appropriate punishment or access restriction for the offense and his or her decision is final. If the practice also violates Local, State, or Federal law, then the issue and participants will be reported to the appropriate agency.

The parent/guardian shall agree to not hold the district responsible for materials acquired by the student on the system, for violations of copyright restrictions, users' mistakes or negligence or any costs incurred by users.