

Internet Policy

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USE OF DISTRICT COMPUTER SYSTEM

The Board of Commissioners consider the use of District computers, software, network resources and/or the Internet for any illegal activity (or profit making activity) is prohibited. The use of all district computer systems and the Internet is a privilege, not a right.

The district's computer systems are district property to which users are permitted access. All users should have no expectation of privacy.

The Board of Commissioners shall establish regulations governing the use and security of the district's computer systems. All users of the district's computer systems shall comply with this policy and those regulations. Failure to comply may result in suspension of access to the district's computer systems and/or other appropriate penalties.

ACCEPTABLE USE AND CONDUCT

1. Use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right. Inappropriate use may result in suspension or revocation of that privilege.
2. Each individual in whose name an access account is issued (an "Account Holder") shall be responsible at all times for its proper use. All Account Holders will be issued a password. Passwords may be changed periodically.
3. All Account Holders are expected to abide by the generally accepted standards of Internet etiquette. This includes being polite and using only appropriate language. Abusive or obscene language, vulgarities and swear words are all inappropriate.
4. Each individual seeking issuance by the District of an access account must submit a signed Agreement and Waiver Form, as well as their MAC address. Signatories to these waiver forms agree to hold the District harmless for materials acquired or contacts made on the District's network or on the Internet.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITY AND USES

The following is a list of prohibited activity concerning use of the Internet by Account Holders. Violation of any of these prohibitions may result in discipline or other appropriate penalty, including suspension or revocation of an Account Holder's access to the Internet.

1. Using the Internet for commercial activity, including advertising.
2. Infringing on any copyrights or other intellectual property rights, including copying, installing, receiving, transmitting, or making available any copyrighted software on the district computer network.
3. Using the Internet to receive, transmit, or make available to others obscene, offensive, or sexually explicit material.
4. Using the Internet to receive, transmit or make available to others messages that are racist, sexist, abusive, obscene, or harassing to others.

5. Using another Account Holder's account.
6. Attempting to read, delete, copy or modify the electronic mail (e-mail) of other Account Holders and deliberately interfering with the ability of other Account Holders to send and/or receive e-mail.
7. Forging or attempting to forge e-mail messages.
8. Engaging in vandalism. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy School District equipment or materials, data of another Account Holder or of any of the entities or other networks that are connected to the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, creating and/or placing a computer virus on the District network.
9. Using the Internet to send anonymous messages or files.
10. Revealing the personal address, telephone number or other personal information of oneself or another person.
11. Using the Internet in a fashion inconsistent with generally accepted Internet etiquette.

NO PRIVACY GUARANTEE

Account Holders using any of the District's computer network, including the Internet and E-mail, should not expect, nor does the District guarantee, privacy for e-mail or any use of District's computer network. The District reserves the right to access and view any material stored on its equipment or any material used in conjunction with its computer network.

SANCTIONS

1. All Account Holders using the District's computer network and equipment are required to comply with the rules set forth in this policy. Failure to comply with the policy may result in disciplinary action as well as suspension and/or revocation of access privileges.
2. Illegal activities are strictly prohibited. Any information pertaining to or implicating illegal activity may be reported to the proper authorities. Transmission of any material in violation of any federal, state and/or local law or regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, materials protected by copyright, or threatening or obscene material. Account Holders must respect all intellectual and property rights laws.

THE DISTRICT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The District makes no warranties of any kind, either express or implied, for the access being provided. Further, the District assumes no responsibility for the quality, availability, accuracy, nature or reliability of the material provided on the Internet. Account Holders use information at their own risk.
2. The District will not be responsible for any damages suffered by any Account Holder resulting from use of the Internet. The District will not be responsible for unauthorized financial obligations resulting from use of the Internet.
3. The District may use technical or manual means to regulate access and information on the Internet, but these methods do not provide a foolproof means of enforcing the District's Acceptable Use Agreement. Each Account Holder will be responsible for abiding by the guidelines set forth herein.
4. Nothing herein shall be construed to infringe upon or impair any constitutional rights of Account Holders.

AGREEMENT AND WAIVER FORM

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

I have read and understand the Union Vale Fire District's Acceptable Use Policy regarding use of the District's computer network and the Internet. I agree to abide by its provisions.

I understand that I have no right to privacy when I use the District's computer network and the Internet, and I consent to the District staff monitoring my communications.

I further understand that any violation of the provisions in the Acceptable Use Policy may result in suspension or revocation of my system access and related privileges, other disciplinary action, and possible legal action.

I understand that the District is not responsible for materials acquired or contacts made on the District's computer network or the Internet, and I will not attempt to hold the District responsible for any such materials or contacts.

MAC Address _____

Signature _____

Date _____