

ST. JOHNS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Acceptable Use Policy

The St. Johns Unified School District is providing computer network and Internet access for its students. This service allows students to share information, learn new concepts, research diverse subjects, and create and maintain school-based websites.

Each year, any student who wants computer network and Internet access for that upcoming school year must sign and submit an Acceptable Use Policy. Students who are under 18 must also have their parent or guardian sign this policy. By signing this agreement, the student, and parent or guardian agree to follow the rules set forth in this policy and to report any misuse of the computer network or the Internet to a teacher or supervisor.

UNACCEPTABLE USES OF THE COMPUTER NETWORK OR THE INTERNET

The following uses of the account provided by the school district are unacceptable:

1. Selling or purchasing any illegal substance;
2. Accessing, transmitting, or downloading pornography, obscene depictions, harmful materials, or materials that encourage others to violate the law.
3. Transmitting or downloading confidential information or copyrighted materials.
4. Uses that involve obtaining and or using an anonymous e-mail site.
5. Uses that cause harm to others or damage to their property are unacceptable.
6. Distribution of your, or anyone else's account login information.

Unacceptable uses also include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Deleting, copying, modifying, or forging other users e-mails, files, or data;
2. Accessing another users email without their permission;
3. Damaging computer equipment, files, data or the network;
4. Using profane, abusive, or impolite language;
5. Disguising one's identity, impersonating other users, or sending anonymous e-mail messages.
6. Threatening, harassing, or making defamatory or false statements about others;
7. Accessing, transmitting, or downloading offensive, harassing, or disparaging materials;
8. Accessing, transmitting or downloading computer viruses or other harmful files or programs, or in any way degrading or disrupting any computer system performance;
9. Accessing, transmitting or downloading large files, including "chain letters" or any type of "pyramid schemes."
10. Using any district computer to pursue hacking, internal or external to the district, or attempting to access information that is protected by privacy laws.
11. Uses that jeopardize access or lead to unauthorized access into accounts or other computer networks are unacceptable.
12. Commercial uses of the school network are unacceptable.

Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

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Every student must read this section and sign below.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the terms of the St. Johns Unified School District's Acceptable Use Policy. I agree that in keeping with the mission, spirit and philosophy of St. Johns Unified School District, it is my responsibility to make good choices when I use school equipment, network and Internet. I understand and agree that if I do not adhere to the rules listed within the Acceptable Use Policy, my privileges may be revoked and disciplinary action may be taken against me.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent or Guardian must read this section and sign below.

As parent or legal guardian of _____ (student name), I have read, understand, and agree that he/she will comply with the terms of this Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that network access is being provided for educational purposes only. I also understand that the school will provide reasonable content filtering as required by federal regulations, but that it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all offensive and controversial materials. I understand my child's responsibility for making good choices and abiding by the rules set forth in this policy. I understand that if my child violates the policy, he/she may be subject to disciplinary action and financial responsibility for damaged equipment. I hereby give my permission for my child to use school computers and other electronic hardware, as available, and to have access to the computer network and internet.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____