



Chapel Hill Independent School District

Dear Parents:

Your child has an opportunity to be given access to Chapel Hill ISD's electronic communications system and needs your permission to do so. Your child will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and individuals around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks.

The Internet is a network of networks. Through the District's electronic communications system, your child will have access to hundreds of databases, libraries, and computer services all over the world.

With this education opportunity also comes responsibility. It is important that you and your child read the enclosed District policy, administrative regulations, and agreement form and discuss these requirements together. Inappropriate system use will result in the loss of the privilege to use this educational tool.

Please note that the Internet is an association of diverse communication and information networks. It is possible that your child may run across areas of adult content and some material you might find objectionable. While the district will take reasonable steps to preclude access to such material and does not condone such access, it is not possible for us to absolutely prevent such access.

Please return the attached agreement form indicating your permission or denial of permission for your child to participate in the District's electronic communications system.

Sincerely,

(administrator)



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Student Agreement for Acceptable Use of the Electronic Communications System

You are being given access to the District's electronic communications system. Through this system, you will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and people around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks. You will have access to hundreds of databases, libraries, and computer services all over the world.

With this education opportunity comes responsibility. It is important that you be familiar with the District policy, administrative regulations, and agreement form and ask questions if you need help in understanding them. Inappropriate system use will result in the loss of the privilege to use this educational tool.

Please note that the Internet is a network of many types of communication and information networks. It is possible that you may run across areas of adult content and some material you or your parents might find objectionable. While the District will take reasonable steps to restrict access to such material, it is not possible to absolutely prevent such access. It will be your responsibility to follow the rules for appropriate use.

For students in grades three through twelve: You will be assigned an individual Internet account, and you are responsible for not sharing the password for that account with others. The account is to be used mainly for identified educational purposes, but some limited personal use is permitted.

For students in grades kindergarten through second: You will have access through your teacher's classroom account or through the computer lab student accounts.

Students with individual accounts will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of that account. The District may suspend or revoke an individual's access if the rules are violated. Evidence of illegal activities or policy violations will be turned over to the appropriate authorities as soon as possible after detection. Depending on the nature of the violation, responses including revocation of access, suspension of accounts, District disciplinary action or prosecution to the full extent of the law may be employed.

Inappropriate uses:

- Using the system for any illegal purpose
- Posting personal information about yourself or others (such as addresses and phone numbers)
- Posting messages or accessing materials that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal
- Installation of software without prior written permission of the technology director
- Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources
- Borrowing someone's account without permission
- Downloading or using copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder
- Wasting school resources through the improper use of the computer system

Consequences for Inappropriate Use:

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

(Student and parent signatures are required on the accompanying agreement form)



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Student Agreement

Name: _____ Grade: _____

School: _____

Homeroom Teacher Name _____ Room Number _____

I understand that my computer use is not private and that the District can monitor my activity on the computer system.

I have read the District's electronic communications system policy and administrative regulations and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions may result in suspension or revocation of system access.

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

Please print name: _____

Parent or Guardian Agreement

____ **I do not** give permission for my child to participate in the District's electronic communications system.

OR

I have read the District's electronic communications system policy and administrative regulations. In consideration for the privilege of my child using the District's electronic communications system, and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the District, its operators, and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use, the system, including, without limitation, the type of damage identified in the District's policy and administrative regulations.

____ **I give permission for my child to participate in the District's electronic communications system and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.**

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____

Please print name: _____

Home address: _____

Home phone number: _____