

Section: J: Students

Title: Internet Safety and Acceptable Use Policy

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Educational Purpose

Turner Public Schools recognize the value of technology and other electronic resources to improve student learning and enhance the administration and operation of its schools. Turner Public Schools encourages the responsible use of computers; computer networks, the Internet, networked resources, and other electronic resources in support of the mission and goals of the district.

Terms of Agreement

In order to use district computers, networks, networked resources, and the Internet, all students and parents/ guardians must sign and return the Internet Safety and Acceptable Use Policy signature page as contained in the building's handbook and in district policy.

Unacceptable Uses

The activities listed below are not permitted. This list of unacceptable uses is not exhaustive. Turner Public Schools and building principals reserve the right to make judgments as to what constitutes inappropriate behavior and the consequences that apply.

- Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures;
- Harassing, insulting, or attacking others (cyber-bullying);
- Using obscene language and/or profanity;
- Using the network to promote political agenda;
- Attempting to disrupt the normal functioning of the district's Internet filter;
- Attempting to access pornography, obscene material, or normally blocked Internet sites;
- Sending personal information such as full name, phone number, address, or identifiable photo of yourself or others without an explicit educational purpose and permission from a teacher and parent or guardian;

- Damaging or modifying computers, networks, or networked resources;
- Installing any software;
- Sharing your password or using others' passwords;
- Trespassing in others' folders, files, or work;
- Engaging in commercial purposes, financial gain, or fraud;
- Engaging in any activity that would normally constitute the commission of a crime if committed by a juvenile or adult.

All digital documents and communications are solely the property of the district and are subject to their rules and jurisdiction. Student use of district computers, networks, networked resources, electronic devices and internet access may be monitored at any time by district staff, and students have not expectation of privacy in such use.

Penalties

Violation of any terms set forth in this policy may result in the loss of Turner Public Schools computer network privileges, disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action.