

**FREEPORT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY**

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The Freeport Union Free School District Board of Education provides technology as one way of assisting all users to become informed and productive participants in our democratic society. The district expects that all who use its technology will do so in a way that is consistent with this educational mission. Responsible use of the technology requires efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the district resources. Freeport's Acceptable Use Policy shall apply, but not be limited to, the following:

Network/Internet

Research
Information and Communication Transmissions
District student e-mail accounts
Non-approved commercial activity

Equipment usage

Hardware
Software

Terms and Conditions for Network and Internet Use

- 1) No user will deliberately access educationally inappropriate materials or show others how to do the same.
- 2) If a user inadvertently accesses unacceptable materials or an unacceptable Internet site, the user shall immediately disclose the inadvertent access to an appropriate school district employee.
- 3) No user shall disclose or share his/her password or allow anyone else to use his/her account name and/or password.
- 4) No user will view, alter or damage another's stored files. School officials may monitor students' files.
- 5) No user will access any network files, documents, applications, etc., without express permission by an authorized staff member. School officials may monitor the use of the district's network.
- 6) Users will not use the school district's technology to knowingly or recklessly post false, defamatory, or private information about a person or organization, or to harass another person or to engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.
- 7) Users will not use the school district's technology to post personal or contact information about themselves.
- 8) Users will respect and uphold copyright laws.
- 9) The school district's technology will not be used for personal or commercial use.
- 10) Users will follow additional regulations posted in the room where technology is in use.
- 11) No users will deliberately or willfully cause damage to technology equipment or software or assist others in doing the same.

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Although the Freeport School District uses a filtering system, no filtering technology can guarantee that every user will be prevented from accessing all inappropriate Internet locations. While every attempt is made by District staff to monitor access, it is impossible to simultaneously monitor multiple users.

The Freeport School district will not be responsible for:

- 1) Financial obligations arising from unauthorized use of the school district system or the Internet; users are liable for any financial obligations resulting from unauthorized use;
- 2) Any consequences of service interruptions or changes to the district's network and stored files;
- 3) The consequences of any use inconsistent with this policy.

Users should recognize that the Freeport School District's Code of Conduct applies to the use of the district's network and technology equipment. Failure to follow the rules will result in a student being denied the opportunity to use the District's technology, restricted Internet use and/or disciplinary action, as appropriate. The student and his/her parents or guardians acknowledge that the District reserves the right to monitor Internet use.

Permission to use the District's technology is dependent upon a student and his/her parent or guardian completing the district's Acceptable Use Policy. Signing and returning the form, shows that the student understands and will follow the District's technology rules.

Student's
Signature _____ Date: _____

Student's
Name _____ Grade: _____

I have read the District's Instructional Technology Policy and understand that my child has agreed to follow its rules or face the possibility of being denied the opportunity to use the District's computers and/or disciplinary action, as appropriate.

Parent's
Signature _____ Date: _____