

**SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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 educational opportunity comes responsibility. It is important that you read the District policy, administrative guidelines, 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 collection of many information systems. 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 use filtering technology 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.

RULES FOR APPROPRIATE USE

You will have access only through your individual account.

The account is to be used mainly for identified educational purposes, but some limited personal use is permitted.

You will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of your account, and the District may suspend or revoke your access if you violate the rules.

INAPPROPRIATE USES

Using the system for any illegal purpose.

Disabling or attempting to disable any Internet filtering device.

Encrypting communications to avoid security review.

Using another person's account.

Posting personal information about yourself or others (such as addresses and phone numbers).

Downloading or using copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder.

Intentionally introducing a virus to the computer system.

Posting messages or accessing materials that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal.

Wasting school resources through the improper use of the computer system.

Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources.

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE

Disciplinary or legal action, in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct and applicable laws.

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STUDENT

Name _____ Grade _____

ID # _____ Campus _____

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

I acknowledge receipt of the District's electronic communications system policy and administrative guidelines.

Student's signature _____ Date _____

PARENT

I have read the District's electronic communications system policy and administrative guidelines. 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 guidelines.

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 _____

Printed Name _____

Date _____ Home phone number _____