Student Computer Use and Internet Safety Form

Personal Responsibility

By signing this policy, you are agreeing not only to follow the rules in this policy, but are agreeing to report any misuse of the network to the person designated by the school for such reporting. Misuse means any violations of this policy or any other use that is not included in the policy, but has the effect of harming another or his/her property.

Acceptable/Unacceptable Uses of Computers & Internet

Acceptable: Educational Purposes Only. DYS and the Provider are providing access to its computer networks and the Internet for ONLY educational purposes. If you have any doubt about whether a contemplated activity is educational, you are to consult with the teacher or other educational staff designated by the Provider to help decide if a use is appropriate.

Unacceptable Use for all Parties: The uses that are considered unacceptable and which constitute a violation of this policy include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Using the technology equipment/Internet for other than educational purposes;
- 2. Using the technology equipment/Internet for recreational purposes;
- 3. Using the technology equipment/Internet for financial or commercial gain;
- 4. Using the technology equipment/Internet for any illegal activity, including computer hacking and copyright or intellectual property law violations;
- 5. Attempting to gain access or gaining access to materials which are deemed child pornography, obscene, or otherwise harmful to minors as defined by Arkansas law;
- 6. Attempting to gain access or gaining access to unauthorized resources, student records, grades, or files;
- 7. Identifying oneself with another person's name or password or using an account or password of another user without proper authorization;
- 8. Divulging personally identifying information about himself/herself or anyone else either on the Internet or in an e-mail, blog, message board, or profile;
- 9. Providing computer/Internet access to unauthorized individuals;
- 10. Using abusive or profane language in private messages on the system; or using the system to harass, insult, or verbally attack others in the context of cyber bullying;
- 11. Posting anonymous messages on the system;
- 12. Wasteful use of limited resources provided by the school including paper;
- 13. Making unauthorized copies of computer software;
- 14. Theft or vandalism of data, equipment, or intellectual property;
- 15. Obtaining or sending information which could be used to make destructive devices such as guns, weapons, bombs, explosives, or fireworks;
- 16. Installing or downloading software, programs, files, music, etc. on DYS technology equipment without prior approval of Information Systems Coordinator or his/her designee.
- 17. Introducing a virus to, or otherwise improperly tampering with, the system;
- 18. Disabling, degrading or disrupting equipment, filters, or system performance;
- 19. Creating a web page without proper authorization;
- 20. Failing to obey school or classroom technology equipment/Internet use rules; or
- 21. Taking part in any activity related to technology equipment/Internet use which creates a clear and present danger of the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of DYS or any of its schools.

BLOGS, CHAT GROUPS, MESSAGE BOARDS, PROFILES, DIGITAL LOCKERS, EMAIL, SUBSCRIPTIONS, INTERNET GAMES and RADIO, AND STREAMING MUSIC ARE <u>STRICTLY OFF LIMITS</u>.

Failure to follow DYS Policy and this Student Computer Usage Document

A user who violates this policy shall, at a minimum, have his or her access to the computer network and Internet terminated, which DYS and/or the Provider may refuse to reinstate for the remainder of the student's enrollment in the education system. Further disciplinary measures may also apply in accordance with the student discipline policy at the facility where he/she is located.

Students will be asked to sign a new policy each year they are students in school before they are given an access account. DYS/Provider cannot provide access to any student who fails to sign and submit the policy.

The student agrees that he/she will obey all federal and state laws and regulations. The student also agrees to abide by this user policy and any Internet use rules instituted in the student's class, whether those rules are written or oral.

Student Responsibility: It is the responsibility of the student user to insure that a teacher or youth care worker is present and monitoring the student user when using the technology equipment/Internet.

EVERY STUDENT, REGARDLESS OF AGE, MUST READ AND SIGN BELOW:

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the terms of the Student Computer Use and Internet Safety Form. Should I commit any violation or in any way misuse my access to the DYS computer network and the Internet, I understand and agree that my access privilege may be revoked and disciplinary action may be taken against me.

Student's Name: (print)_____

Student's Signature: _____ Date_____