Introduction

We are pleased to offer students of Arlington Public Schools access to the district computer network resources and the Internet. Parents, please review this document carefully with your son/daughter. Families have the right to allow the use of the Internet at school by completing this form and returning it to school. Agreements remain in effect for the current school year.

General Network Use

The network is provided for students to conduct research, complete assignments, and communicate with others. Access to network services is given to students who act in a considerate and responsible manner. Students are responsible for good behavior on school computer networks just as they are in a classroom or a school hallway. Access is a privilege (not a right) and entails responsibility. As such, general school rules for behavior and communications apply and users must comply with district standards. Beyond the clarification of such standards, the District is not responsible for restricting, monitoring or controlling the communications of individuals utilizing the network. District staff may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on District servers would be private.

Internet Access

Access to the Internet will enable students to use thousands of libraries and databases. Families should be warned that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people. While our intent is to make Internet access available to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. Filtering software is in use, but no filtering system is capable of blocking 100% of the inappropriate material available on the Internet. We believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. Ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, Arlington Public Schools supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to allow access.

Publishing to the Internet

If you do not want your child's work, photo, or name to be published on the website, please complete and submit the Use of Student Information Form (F3231F1) which can be found in the *Family Handbook*, on the District website at www.asd.wednet.edu, or in your school office.

Unacceptable Network Use Includes but is not limited to:

 *Sending, storing, or displaying offensive messages or pictures;
 *Using obscene language;
 *Giving personal information, such as complete name, phone number, address, or identifiable photo, without permission from teacher and parent/guardian;
 *Cyber bullying, hate mail, harassing, insulting or attacking others, discriminatory jokes and remarks;
 *Damaging or modifying computers, computer systems, or computer networks: downloading, installing and using games, audio files, video files or other applications including shareware or freeware without permission to do so;
 *Violating copyright laws;
 *Sharing or using others' logins or passwords or other confidential information;
 *Trespassing in others' folders, work, or files;
 *Intentionally wasting limited resources;
 *Posting information, sent or stored, online that could endanger others;
 *Employing the network for non-academic, personal, commercial, or political purposes, financial gain, or fraud;
 *Attaching unauthorized equipment to the District network.

Violations may result in a loss of access (Board Policy and Procedures 3200, Rights and Responsibilities). Additional disciplinary action may be determined at the building level. When applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved.

Parent/Guardian Permission

Please complete the section below if you want your child to have access to the Internet.*

*The District currently has filters in place consistent with federal regulations including the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) when granting Internet access to any student.
The Board Electronic Resources Policy and Procedures (2022 & 2022P) are available at http://www.asd.wednet.edu/administration/school_board/policies___procedures.

☐   I give my permission for my son/daughter to access District Computer Network Resources and the Internet for the current school year.

Student's Full Name _____   Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____   Date _____

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