

KOUNTZE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (AUP)
FOR INTERNET AND COMPUTER ACCESS
2016-2017

You are being given access to the District's computer system. Through this system, you will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and people from 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 regulations, 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 network of many types of communication and information networks. It is possible that you may run across areas of adult content and some material you 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.

Every student will receive a school email address. This email will be used to communicate and collaborate with teachers and students. The email account will be monitored for proper use by the administration and network manager.

By signing the Acknowledgement page of your student's handbook, you agree that your student's computer use is not private and that the District will monitor all computer system activity. You also acknowledge that you have read the District's electronic communications system policy and administrative regulations and agree to abide by their provisions and understand that violation of these provisions may result in suspension or revocation of system access.

RULES FOR APPROPRIATE USE

- You will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of the District's electronic communication system and the District may suspend or revoke your access if you violate the rules.

INAPPROPRIATE USES

- Using the system for any illegal purposes
- Disabling or attempting to disable any Internet filtering device
- Encrypting communications to avoid security review
- Borrowing someone's account without permission
- 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 (i.e. streaming audio/video that isn't school related)
- Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources
- Trespassing in other people's folders, work or files
- Employing the network for commercial purposes

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE

- Suspension of access to the system
- Revocation of the computer system account
- Other disciplinary or legal action, in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct and applicable laws

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ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT **OPT-OUT** FORM
2016 - 2017

THIS IS ONLY TO BE COMPLETED FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE REQUESTING TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE ITEMS CHECKED BELOW.

INTERNET ACCESS

I DO NOT give permission for my child to access the internet. _____

PERMISSION TO PUBLISH STUDENT INFORMATION

I DO NOT give permission for my child's work to be displayed on the school website. _____

I DO NOT give permission for photographs of my child to be displayed on the school website. _____

I DO NOT give permission for my child's name to be displayed on the school website. _____

I am the parent of: (Please print)

Printed name of Parent or Guardian

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

**** RETURN FORM TO CAMPUS SECRETARY ONLY IF OPTING OUT OF ONE OF THE ABOVE ITEMS****