

Lincoln County School District #2
--Internet Use Agreement--

Please read this document carefully before signing.

Internet access is available to students and teachers in Lincoln County School District # 2. With access to computers, and people all over the world, also comes the availability of material that may not be of educational value in the context of the school setting. On a global network it is impossible to control all materials, and an industrious user may discover illegal or inappropriate information.

Lincoln County School District #2 firmly believes that the valuable information and interaction available on this worldwide network outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of the District.

These guidelines are provided so that you are aware of the responsibilities you must accept. In general, this requires efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the network resources. If a Lincoln County School District #2 user violates any of these provisions, his or her **access will be terminated**, and all future access may be denied. The signature(s) at the end of this document is (are) legally binding and indicates the party (parties) who signed has (have) read the terms and conditions, carefully understand(s) their significance, and agrees to comply with them.

Internet Terms and Conditions

- 1) Acceptable Use -
 - a) Transmission of any material in violation of any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret. Commercial uses are prohibited.
 - b) The Internet may be used for appropriate research.
 - c) The Internet may be used for e-mail communication.
 - d) Personal e-mail transmissions and Internet activity should be done before school, after school, at breaks, and at lunchtime. During class time the Internet should be used for educational purposes.
- 2) Privileges -
 - a) The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use may result in disciplinary action.
 - b) Use of the Internet at school shall be provided free of charge to the user.
- 3) Network Etiquette –

You are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include (but are not limited to) the following:

 - a) Be polite. Do not be abusive in your messages to others.
 - b) Use appropriate language. Do not use vulgarity or any other inappropriate language. Illegal activities or messages are strictly forbidden.
 - c) Do not reveal your personal address, passwords, or phone numbers of yourself, students or colleagues.
 - d) Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system do have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.
 - e) Do not use the network in such a way that you would disrupt the use of the network by other users.
 - f) Any obscene material retrieved from the Internet may result in disciplinary action.
 - g) Use or attempted use of another user's password is prohibited.

- 4) Security – Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to Internet. (eg. hacking)
- 5) Vandalism – Vandalism may result in disciplinary action. Vandalism is defined as a malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, Internet, or any of the above listed agencies or other networks. This includes but not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.

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STUDENT

As a user of the Lincoln County School District #2 computer network, I hereby agree to comply with this agreement, and use the Internet for legitimate purposes. I do hereby expressly consent to allow school district personnel including administrators, to access and review any computer files, e-mail transmissions, and other computer data and/or information that I send or receive in order to ensure that the school district computers are being used appropriately and solely for approved purposes. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked, disciplinary action may be taken, and/or appropriate legal action.

User Signature _____ Date: _____

Student ID# _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

As the parent/guardian of this student, I grant permission for him/her to access the network for computer services, such as electronic mail and the Internet. I understand that individuals and families may be held liable for violations. We do hereby release the school district, its Board of Trustees, staff, and agents, from any liability of any kind arising out of the student's use of the computer/Internet system at the school. We do hereby authorize school district personnel, including teachers, aides, and administrators, to access and review any of the student's computer files, e-mail transmission or other computer data to ensure that the school district computers are used appropriately and solely for approved educational purposes.

Parent or Guardian's Name (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____