

Chardon Local Schools
Internet Acceptable Use Policy for the Internet
REQUIRED FOR COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCESS

Parents or Guardian: Please read the following permission form carefully!

This permission form is required for your child to use the school's access to the Internet, through the Chardon Local School District (CLSD). Each student and his or her legal guardian must sign this Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) after having read the document and agreeing to adhere to the document's content, when using a school Internet connection. Please read this entire application thoroughly! Students will have access to the Internet, an electronic highway connecting millions of computers all over the world and millions of individual subscribers. This user's agreement indicates acknowledgment and acceptance of the risks and regulations for computer and online use.

This is the communication medium of the twenty-first century; we in Chardon Schools are excited to provide Internet access to students. The educational resources now available to our students are impressive. With this access comes the availability of material that may not be of educational value in the context of the school setting. The CLSD discourages access to controversial materials; however, on a global network, it is impossible to control all materials and a user may discover controversial information. Please Note: A filtering system is operating on all servers accessing the Internet for CLSD. The valuable information and interaction available on the Internet far outweighs the possibility that users may procure controversial material. *We urge you to discuss these issues with your child!*

Students need to be aware that there is a consequence for inappropriate use of the Internet that will result in immediate loss of privileges, and future access to use the Internet through CLSD will be denied. Each student must be aware this does not give unlimited access privileges to the student. The student receives authorization to visit web sites related to, and in support of, the curriculum and educational assignments given to the student. Your signatures on this agreement indicate you and your child have read the terms and conditions carefully and agree to those terms and conditions.

Terms and Conditions for Obtaining Internet Access

1. **Acceptable Use – Use of the Internet will be in support of the academic program and educational objectives of the Chardon Local School District. Materials inappropriate in a school setting must not be obtained using this account.** 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 use of this account is prohibited.
2. **Privileges – The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges.** This network access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes consistent with educational objectives of the CLSD.
3. **Network Guidelines –** The student is expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. This includes, but is not limited to the following:
 - *The system shall be used only for purposes related to the CLSD educational objectives and in support of the academic program.*
 - *Do not "share" your account with others. Sharing of accounts may result in a loss of network privileges.*
 - *Use appropriate language. Do not curse, use vulgarities or any other offensive language.*
 - *Do not reveal your name, personal address, phone number or those of other students or colleagues, i.e. do not identify yourself.*
 - *All communications and information accessible via the network shall be assumed to be copyrighted.*
 - *Use of the computer and/or network is not for financial gain or for any commercial or illegal activity.*
 - *The administration reserves the right to monitor and/or restrict any computer activity and on-line communications for improper use.*
4. **Vandalism –** Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges and possible legal action. Vandalism includes uploading/downloading any inappropriate or non-school related material, creating computer viruses and/or any malicious attempt to harm, alter or destroy equipment, materials or the data of any other user.

Student Signature Signifying Agreement to Comply with Acceptable Use Policy:

I understand and will abide by the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) guidelines listed in this document. Should I commit any violation, my access to the school's Internet network may be revoked. I further understand that any violation of the policy guidelines is unethical and is cause for school disciplinary review and/or appropriate legal action.

WRITE ↓ CLEARLY	**PRINT STUDENT NAME	(REQUIRED-WRITE CLEARLY)	GRADE
	**STUDENT'S SIGNATURE	(REQUIRED-WRITE CLEARLY)	DATE

Parent/Guardian Signature Signifying Agreement to Comply with Acceptable Use Policy: As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the school district's acceptable use policy document. I understand that this network access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes to supplement my child's education. I hereby give permission to issue an account for my child and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

DATE: _____

****SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN** (REQUIRED-WRITE CLEARLY)

The content of this Acceptable Use Policy can also be found in the *Student Handbook* in case a student, parent or guardian wishes to review our acceptable use policy at a later date.