

Last Name of Student _____

Nome City Schools District Technology Acceptable Use Agreement for Grades K-6

Student's Name: _____

Grade _____

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are pleased to be able to offer students of Nome City Schools access to the District computer network for Internet access and electronic mail. To obtain access to the Internet, all students must have parental permission and must sign and return this form to the school office.

Access to the Internet and e-mail will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and bulletin boards while exchanging messages with Internet users throughout the world. Students will also be able to view the work of other students, participate in cooperative projects, and may have the opportunity to post their own work for others to see.

District Internet and E-Mail Rights and Responsibilities

Internet access and e-mail usage is a privilege, not a right. Students are ultimately responsible for proper behavior on school computer networks, just as they are in a classroom or a school hallway. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General school and district rules for behavior and communications apply. The network is provided for students to conduct research and communicate with others. Access to network services is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parent permission is required and students who do not have such permission are responsible for not accessing the Internet at school.

Access entails responsibility. Individual users of the District computer network are responsible for their behavior and communications over the network. It is expected that users will comply with District standards and will honor the agreements they have signed. Network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files, activity and communications to maintain system integrity and insure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on District servers are always private. Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honored. During school, teachers will guide students to appropriate materials.

The following are not permitted:

- Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures
- Using obscene language
- Harassing, insulting, bullying or attacking others
- Violating copyright laws
- Use of another's password
- Trespassing in another's folders, work or files
- Use of the network for commercial purposes or financial gain
- Deliberate damage to hardware or software
- Use of District computers for illegal activities
- Bypassing proxies or changing settings on district computers to avoid safe guards that the district has put in place per the Child Internet Protection Act.

Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

It is important that you are familiar with these rules as well. Please review these rules with your student, sign and date the form, and return it to your student's teacher. If you have any questions, please ask your student's teacher.

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Technology Acceptable Use Agreement – Student Signature Page Grades K-6**Student Name:** _____**I understand that I may use technology under the direction of my teacher if I follow these rules:**

1. I am responsible for using technology in an appropriate way.
2. I may use computers for research, to communicate with others, and to work on assignments from my teachers.
3. I must obey the rules of the school district when I am using the network.
4. I will not send copyrighted, threatening or inappropriate material over computer networks because it is against the law.
5. I agree to follow the school's and classroom rules for using school computers.
6. I know that the inappropriate use of our computers can break school rules and sometimes even break the law.
7. I will never harm or destroy computers or other technology.
8. I will never harm or destroy the work of another person on our school system or any other system.

When I am using school computers, I will always:

BE POLITE: I will never send, or tell others to send inappropriate, mean or hurtful pictures or messages.

USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE: I will never swear, use other inappropriate language, or threaten or embarrass others.

RESPECT PRIVACY: I will not tell my home address or phone number; or give out names or addresses of family members, or the addresses or phone numbers of other students.

AVOID DISRUPTIONS: I will not use technology in any way that would disrupt its use by others.

BE HONEST: I will not send anonymous messages or represent a message to have been written by someone else. I will always sign all messages I send with my name and send from my own account.

BE RESPONSIBLE: If a site has been blocked by the district I understand that it is not a district approved website. I will only use district approved websites and will not use methods to by-pass blocked sites.

I have read and discussed the Nome City School's Technology Acceptable Use Agreement with my Parents. I understand the District rules and agree to follow them whenever using the District network and/or computers.

Student Signature_____
Date_____
Parent/Guardian Signature_____
Date