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Computer Security

- In order to continue to provide student access to those resources available on the internet, users must share the responsibility for effective, efficient, ethical, and lawful educational use of computers and tablets. In order to provide maximum assistance and resource capability to students and staff, the following guidelines will be enforced:
 1. It is the student's responsibility to treat all equipment with care and to report instances of abuse or misuse as soon as the student becomes aware of them. Each student is expected to report any malfunction or problem immediately upon discovery, to the teacher.
 2. All students are prohibited from allowing other individuals to access or update information under their security authorization (username & password). Students will be held accountable for all computer activity performed under their security authorization.
 3. All students are prohibited from sharing computer passwords (i.e. login, Internet). Passwords must be kept confidential and must be changed at required intervals as needed or desired.
 4. A student and/or parent guardian is responsible to pay all repairs and/or replacement costs if the student vandalizes or otherwise intentionally damages any District hardware or software. The student will be referred to the building administrator for appropriate discipline, including but not limited to, suspension from or denial to access of all District computers.
 5. A student who damages, destroys, or copies another student's data will be referred to the building administrator for appropriate discipline and may be suspended from or denied access to all computers. Incidents in which a student copies another student's data will be treated as cheating.
 6. A student who tampers with or attempts to gain access to computer data to which the student has no security authorization is in violation of school policy. This act will be considered equivalent to tampering with a teacher's written records or attempting to gain access to confidential student information.
 7. A student will not load or copy unauthorized software onto District computers. All software used on district computers and networks is to be purchased by the District, properly licensed and registered with the publisher, and installed by Computer Services designated personnel.
 8. A student will follow the Internet Acceptable Use Policy.



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Internet Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

- Internet access is limited to educational purposes. Teacher-directed classroom activities, individual study projects, and planned self-discovery activities will receive priority.
- Use the rules of etiquette when communicating on the Internet. Students should immediately notify a teacher, if by accident, they encounter materials that violate appropriate use. Students shall have no expectation of privacy when using District e-mail or computer systems. Any e-mail or computer application or information in District computers or computer systems is subject to monitoring by the staff and/or administration. The District retains the right to duplicate any information created by students in a computer system or on any individual computer. Students who violate these rules, or any other classroom rules relating to computer use are subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school.
- Users will not:
 - Purposefully send or receive and/or view obscene or pornographic material or material that facilitates illegal activities.
 - Use chat rooms.
 - Harass, insult, or attack others.
 - Intentionally waste limited resources, supplies.
 - Use the Internet for commercial or political purposes.
 - Knowingly spread computer viruses.
 - Independently join or subscribe to any websites.
 - Purchase anything over the Internet.
- Inappropriate computer systems use, including any violation of these conditions and rules, may result in cancellation of the privilege. The building principal and his/her designee, is delegated the authority to determine appropriate use and may deny, revoke, or suspend the use of computers by the students(s) who violate this policy. In addition, the principal shall have the authority to impose additional disciplinary action, as he/she deems necessary.
- Discipline will be handled on an individual basis and may include ISS, OSS, or expulsion.



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Internet Safety Policy

1. Purpose

This policy establishes guidelines for the safe, secure, and appropriate use of USD 225's network, internet services, and digital devices. The primary goal is to protect students and staff while fostering an educational environment that leverages digital learning.

2. Technology Protection Measures (Content Filtering)

The school employs advanced technological protections, including firewalls and content filtering software, on all computer networks and school-issued devices.

- **Adult Content:** Filters block visual and textual depictions of obscenity, pornography, and child pornography.
- **Harmful Material:** Access to websites featuring violence, illegal activities, or content deemed harmful to minors is restricted.
- **Overriding Filters:** Authorized administrators may disable the technology protection measure during adult use for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

3. Student Safety and Privacy

The school is committed to protecting student data and personal privacy online.

- **Personal Information:** Students must not share personally identifiable information (PII)—including full names, home addresses, phone numbers, or photographs—without explicit teacher permission.
- **Unauthorized Disclosure:** Staff and students are prohibited from the unauthorized disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal information regarding minors.
- **Safe Communication:** Students may only use school-approved communication tools (such as school email or learning management systems) for educational purposes.

4. Prohibited Network Activities

Users are expected to act responsibly on the school network. The following activities are strictly prohibited:

- **Cyberbullying:** Sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about someone else.
- **Hacking:** Unauthorized access, "hacking," or any other unlawful activities utilizing the school network.
- **Piracy:** Downloading, sharing, or copying copyrighted materials without proper authorization.
- **Malicious Software:** Intentionally introducing viruses, malware, or spyware into the network.



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5. Digital Citizenship Education

In compliance with federal mandates, [School Name] provides age-appropriate education to all students regarding safe online behavior. This curriculum includes:

- **Digital Etiquette:** Interacting appropriately with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms.
- **Cyberbullying Awareness:** Training students on how to recognize, prevent, and report cyberbullying incidents.
- **Media Literacy:** Teaching students how to evaluate the credibility and safety of online sources.

6. Expectations of Privacy

Users have no expectation of privacy when utilizing the school's network, internet services, or devices.

- **Monitoring:** [School Name] reserves the right to monitor, log, and review all internet access, search history, and electronic communications.
- **Inspection:** School-owned devices are subject to physical or digital inspection by administration at any time.

7. Violations and Enforcement

Use of the school internet is a privilege, not a right

. Personal Electronic Devices (No-Device Policy)

To maintain a secure network environment and minimize digital distractions, **personal electronic devices are strictly prohibited on school grounds.**

- **Covered Devices:** This includes, but is not limited to, personal smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, laptops, wireless earbuds and gaming systems.
- **Storage Requirement:** Any personal device brought to school for emergency after-school use must remain powered off and given to office staff prior to the 7:55 start time.
- **Network Access:** Personal devices are completely barred from connecting to the school's Wi-Fi network.
- **Confiscation:** Visible or active personal devices during school hours will be immediately confiscated by staff and held in the main office until a parent or legal guardian retrieves them.
- **Liability:** The school assumes no financial or legal responsibility for the loss, theft, or damage of any personal electronic device brought onto campus.



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Internet Safety Policy Agreement and Sign-Off

Student Section:

I have read the USD 225 Internet Safety Policy. I understand the rules regarding internet use, prohibited activities, and the ban on personal devices. I agree to follow these rules and understand that I will lose my network privileges or face school suspension if I violate them.

Student Name (Printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Section:

As the parent or legal guardian of the student named above, I have read and discussed the Internet Safety Policy with my child. I understand that school network access is designed for educational purposes and that the school utilizes content filtering technology. I agree to support the school's enforcement of this policy, including the strict policy against personal devices on campus.

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Phone Number: _____

Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action, which may include:

- Temporary or permanent loss of network and device privileges.
- Disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion for students.
- Employment disciplinary action up to and including termination for staff.
- Referral to local law enforcement agencies when federal, state, or local laws are broken.