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Please read this Acceptable Use Policy

Everman ISD offers Internet access for guest use. This document contains the Acceptable Use Policy for your use of the EISD system.

A. Educational Purpose

-  Technology usage has been established for a limited educational purpose. The term “educational purpose” includes classroom activities, career development, and limited high-quality self-discovery activities.
- The system has not been established as a public access service or a public forum. EISD has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material you access or post through the system. You are also expected to follow the rules set forth in Board Policy and the law in your use of EISD’s system.
- You may not use the system for commercial purposes. This means you may not offer, provide, or purchase personal products or services through the system.
- You may not use the system for political lobbying, but you may use the system to communicate with elected representatives.

B. Unacceptable Uses

-  The following uses of the system are considered unacceptable:

1. Illegal Activities

- Users will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the system or to any other computer system through the District System, or go beyond their authorized access. This includes attempting to log in through another person’s account or access another person’s files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of “browsing”.
- Users will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system performance or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.
- Users will not use the system to engage in any illegal act such as, but not limited to, arranging for a drug sale or the purchase of alcohol, engaging in criminal activity, threatening the safety of person, etc.

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2. System Security

- Users are responsible for the use of their individual account and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from being able to use their account. Under no conditions should a user provide their password to another person.
- Users will immediately notify the Technology Department if they have identified a possible security problem. Users will not go looking for security problems, because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.
- Do not download any items without the permission and assistance of an EISD staff member.

3. Inappropriate Language

- Restrictions against inappropriate language apply to public messages, private messages, and material posted on Web pages.
- Users will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language.
- Users will not post information that, if acted upon, could cause damage or create a potential or actual disruption.
- Users will not engage in personal attacks, including, but not limited to, prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.
- Users will not harass another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner that distresses or annoys another person. If a user is told by a person to stop sending messages, they must stop.
- Users will not knowingly or recklessly post false or defamatory information about a person or organization.

4. Respect for Privacy

- Users will not repost a message that was sent to them privately without permission of the person who sent them the message.
- User will not post private information about another person.

5. Respecting Resource Limits

- Users will use the system only for educational and professional or career development activities and limited, high-quality, self-discovery activities.
- Do not stream or download media files.
- Users will not post chain letters, forward stories or anecdotes, or engage in "spamming". Spamming is sending an annoying or unnecessary message to a large number of people.
- All created and downloaded items must be saved to personal device and removed from the EISD hardware and network.

6. Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement

- Users will not plagiarize works that they find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were original to the user.
- Users will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when an individual inappropriately reproduces a work that is protected by a copyright. If a work contains language that specifies acceptable use of that work, the user should follow the expressed requirements. If the user is unsure whether or not they can use a work, they should request permission from the copyright owner.

7. Inappropriate Access to Material

- Users will not use the District system to access material that is profane or obscene (pornography), that advocates illegal acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people (hate literature). Guests may access the above material only in the context of legitimate research.

- If a user inadvertently accesses such information, they should immediately disclose the inadvertent access to a staff member. This will protect users against an allegation that they have intentionally violated the Acceptable Use Policy.

C. Your Rights

1. Free Speech

- Your right to free speech, as set forth in District Policy, applies also to your communication on the Internet. The system is considered a limited forum and therefore the District may restrict your speech for valid educational reasons. The District will not restrict your speech on the basis of a disagreement with the opinions you are expressing.

2. Search and Seizure

- System users have no privacy expectation in the contents of their personal files on the District System. This system belongs to the School District, which has the right to access any portion of the system and any files contained in the system as authorized by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
- Routine maintenance and monitoring of the system may lead to discovery that the user has or is violating the District Acceptable Use Policy, District policy, or the law.
- If there is reasonable suspicion that a user has violated the law or District policy, District officials have the right to access any files or computers/ technology at any time. The nature of the investigation will be reasonable and in the context of the nature of the alleged violation.

3. Compliance with the Law

The District will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted through the EISD system.

- In the event there is an allegation that a guest has violated the District Acceptable Use Policy, the guest will be afforded such rights and subject to such sanctions as set forth in District policy.





- The District reserves the right to make reports to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and to deny guests the right to access the EISD system.

D. Limitation of Liability

- The District makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by or through the District system will be error-free or without defect. The District will not be responsible for any damage you may suffer, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions of service. The District is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the system. The District will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the system.



I have read the EISD Parent/Guest Technology Acceptable Use Policy and agree to abide by its provisions. I release the District, its operators, and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my use of, or inability to use, the system, including, without limitation, the type of damage identified in the District's policies.

User Printed Name _____ User Signature _____ Date _____

Staff Printed Name _____ Staff Signature _____

