

Ceres Unified School District

ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY
Grades K-6

Name _____

Date _____

Technology provides students with access to people and material from all over the world. We believe that information and interaction promotes educational excellence and is consistent with the goals of the district. The Internet does include some material that is not appropriate for students. Efforts are taken to protect students from inappropriate materials, but it is impossible to completely protect students from material that is not consistent with CUSD goals. Students will use the Internet within an educational activity, such as performing research, developing projects, and disseminating information.

The following rules and consequences will maximize the educational opportunities available to your child, while minimizing the risk of inappropriate use. The use of Internet is a privilege, not a right. This privilege may be withdrawn if it is not used responsibly. Please discuss the following rules with your child. These rules will also be discussed in your child's classroom. When you believe your child understands these rules, you and your child may sign and return this form. Your child will then have access to the Internet.

Rules of Responsible Technology Behavior

1. Be Polite. Never send messages that are unkind.
2. Respect the rights of others. Do not interfere with anyone's use of technology. Do not access anyone's files without their permission.
3. Use appropriate language.
4. Use of technology is for educational purposes only.
5. Recreational games are prohibited. Technology will be used to promote learning of school-related subjects and support activities, as approved by the school board.
6. Be a responsible Internet citizen. You are not allowed to send or collect obscene, abusive, or threatening material or activities supporting racism or sexism.
7. Help others be responsible citizens. If you see anything or anyone that does not follow these rules, immediately tell the teacher or other adult who is supervising you.
8. Always use the Internet under the supervision of a teacher or other school staff person.
9. NEVER give the address, phone number, or last name of yourself or other students or staff.
10. Keep your password secure. Do not share your password with others. Do not allow others to use your account. Do not use other people's password or account.
11. Follow the rules of the school and the district, and local, state and federal law.
12. You can't use school technology for commercial, profit-making activities, except as specifically agreed to by the district.

Required Signature

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I have read this contract.

I understand the use of technology is for educational purposes.

I understand it is impossible for CUSD to restrict access to controversial or inappropriate materials.

I will not hold the district responsible for material acquired on the Internet.

I will report any misuse to the teacher or principal.

I give my permission for my child to have supervised access to the Internet.

I understand that if my child does not follow the rules, school &/or legal action may be taken.

Inappropriate use is defined as using the Internet in any way that is contrary to school policy, local, state and federal law.

If your child violates any rules, he/she may be subject to any one or all of the following consequences:

- a. Suspension from class
- b. Suspension from school
- c. Loss of computer privileges
- d. Recommendation for expulsion

Student art work/writing/photo/video may be considered for publication. This may include publication on the Internet as part of our school's web page or other media during this school year. No student's full name, home address, telephone number, or email will be published on District Web pages. Group student photos can be published showing students working on projects and other activities. First names can be published with those photos. Students will not be identified by full name on any photo.

Parent Name (please print): _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

STUDENT CONTRACT

I understand the 10 rules of using technology at school.

I agree to the CUSD rules and consequences of technology use.

If I feel uncomfortable with any information I see, I will immediately tell the teacher or the adult who is in charge.

Student Name (please print): _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

(This information is also available in the Student Conduct Code Handbook.)