



Internet/Network Acceptable Use Policy

Network Use

1. All use of the system must be in support of education and research and consistent with the mission of the district. University Place School District reserves the right to prioritize use and access to the system.
2. Any use of the system must be in conformity to state and federal law, K-20 Network policies, and district policy. Use of the system for commercial solicitation is prohibited. (Examples include personal business, product advertisement, financial gain schemes.)
3. The system constitutes public facilities and may not be used to support or oppose political candidates, ballot measures, or religious organizations.
4. No use of the system shall serve to disrupt the operation of the system by others; system components including hardware or software shall not be destroyed, modified, or abused in any way.
5. Malicious use of the system to develop programs or institute practices that harass other users or gain unauthorized access to any entity on the system and/or damage the components of an entity on the network is prohibited.
6. Users are responsible for the appropriateness of the material they transmit over or store on the system. Hate mail, harassment, discriminatory or obscene remarks, pornography, or other antisocial behaviors or materials are expressly prohibited.

Security

1. System logins or accounts are to be used only by the authorized owner of the account for the authorized purpose. Users may not share their account number or password with another person or leave an open file or session unattended or unsupervised. Account owners are ultimately responsible for all activity under their account.
2. Users shall not seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, other data, or passwords belonging to other users; misrepresent other users on the system; or attempt to gain unauthorized access to any entity on the K-20 Network.
3. Communications may not be encrypted so as to avoid security review.

Personal Security

1. Personal information such as complete names, addresses, telephone numbers and identifiable photos should remain confidential when communicating on the system. Students should never reveal such information without permission from their teacher and parent or guardian. No user may disclose, use, or disseminate personal identification information regarding minors without authorization.

2. Students should never make appointments to meet people in person whom they have contacted on the system without district and parent permission.
3. Students should notify their teacher or other adult whenever they come across information or messages they deem dangerous or inappropriate.

Copyright

1. The unauthorized installation, use, storage, or distribution of copyrighted software or materials on district computers is prohibited. All users of the K-20 Network shall comply with current copyright laws.

Filtering and Monitoring

1. Filtering software is in use and those services will be maintained and updated regularly. No computers may access Internet without passing through these filters that block or filter access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors.
2. Educational staff will monitor minors' use of the Internet in school, and will take reasonable measures to prevent access by minors to inappropriate material on the Internet and World Wide Web.

General Use

1. Diligent effort must be made to conserve system resources. For example, users should frequently delete E-mail and unused files, and users should promptly disconnect video conferences on completion.
2. Students under the age of 18 must have the approval of a parent or guardian, and a signed Individual User Release Form must be on file with the district.
3. No person shall have access to the K-20 Network without having received approved district training.
4. Nothing in these regulations is intended to preclude the supervised use of the network while under the direction of a teacher or other approved user acting in conformity with district policy and procedure.

From time to time, the district will make a determination on whether specific uses of the K-20 Network are consistent with the regulations stated above. Under prescribed circumstances non-student or staff use may be permitted, provided such individuals demonstrate that their use furthers the purpose and goals of the district. For security and administrative purposes the district reserves the right for authorized personnel to review network use and content. The district reserves the right to remove an individual's network access privileges to prevent further unauthorized activity.

Violation of any of the conditions of use may be cause for disciplinary action as defined by the district or building administrative team.