

## ISD 279 Digital Citizenship

### Internet & Technology Acceptable Use Policy for Students

#### **Rationale**

Part of the Mission of District 279 is to ensure that all students develop technology skills for life-long learning. Student Internet and technology use within ISD 279 schools is for educational purposes only. In addition, students are expected to be good digital citizens and follow the guidelines for acceptable use of the Internet.

#### **Acceptable Student Behaviors as Responsible Digital Citizens**

A student's **acceptable** use of technology and the Internet includes the following:

- Using the Internet for research and assigned classroom projects
- Accessing only those sites that are relevant to educational purpose
- Only accessing files from the server that belong to you; respecting the rights and privacy of others by not accessing private files
- Respecting and abiding by all copyright laws
- Following all regulations posted in the areas where technology is accessed
- Turning off the monitor if an inappropriate web site is accessed, and notifying the teacher immediately
- Downloading or printing only with the teacher's permission
- Following the directions of the adult in charge
- Respecting others around you
- Respecting the equipment and work space

#### **Unacceptable Student Behaviors**

A student's **unacceptable** use of technology and the Internet includes the following:

- Using the Internet for any illegal purpose
- Using impolite or abusive language
- Violating the rules of common sense or etiquette
- Changing any computer files that do not belong to the user
- Revealing personal addresses or telephone numbers of students or staff
- Using the Internet in such a way that would disrupt the use of Internet by others
- Downloading programs, text or images without permission of the adult in charge
- Hacking into computer resources
- Accessing materials that are inconsistent with the school's code of conduct and district's educational goals or showing others how to do the same
- Playing games which are not educational
- Sending personal, chain, or spam emails
- \* Taking and posting pictures or videos to social media sites during school time.

This document is in accordance with and does not replace District Policy 524 – Network/Internet Acceptable Use by Students (<http://www.district279.org/who/polpro/policy524.cfm>).

This document reflects the expectations of student behavior referenced in the District 279 Technology Literacy Scope and Sequence:

- 5.1 Digital Citizenship - Understand human, cultural and societal issues related to technology, and practice legal and ethical behavior.
- 5.2 Practice safe and responsible use of technology.
- 5.3 Model Legal and ethical behaviors when using information and technology.

Our mission is to inspire and prepare all students with the confidence, courage, and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning.