Maury County Schools
Application For Account And Terms And Conditions For Use Of The Internet and Network
2019-2020

The school's information technology resources, including email and Internet access, are provided for educational purposes. Adherence to the following policy is necessary for continued access to the school's technological resources:

**Students must**

1. **Respect and protect the privacy of others.**
   - Use only assigned accounts.
   - Not view, use, or copy passwords, data, or networks to which they are not authorized.
   - Not distribute private information about others or themselves.

2. **Respect and protect the integrity, availability, and security of all electronic resources.**
   - Observe all network security practices, as posted.
   - Report security risks or violations to a teacher or network administrator.
   - Not destroy or damage data, networks, or other resources that do not belong to them, without clear permission of the owner.
   - Conserve, protect, and share these resources with other students and Internet users.

3. **Respect and protect the intellectual property of others.**
   - Not infringe copyrights (no making illegal copies of music, games, or movies!).
   - Not plagiarize.

4. **Respect and practice the principles of community.**
   - Communicate only in ways that are kind and respectful.
   - Report threatening or discomforting materials to a teacher.
   - Not intentionally access, transmit, copy, or create material that violates the school's code of conduct (such as messages that are pornographic, threatening, rude, discriminatory, or meant to harass).
   - Not intentionally access, transmit, copy, or create material that is illegal (such as obscenity, stolen materials, or illegal copies of copyrighted works).
   - Not use the resources to further other acts that are criminal or violate the school's code of conduct.
   - Not send spam, chain letters, or other mass unsolicited mailings.
   - Not buy, sell, advertise, or otherwise conduct business, unless approved as a school project.

5. **Students may, if in accord with the policy above**
   - Design and post web pages and other material from school resources.
   - Use the resources for any educational purpose.

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**Consequences for Violation.** Violations of these rules may result in disciplinary action, including the loss of a student's privileges to use the school's information technology resources.

**Supervision and Monitoring.** School and network administrators and their authorized employees monitor the use of information technology resources to help ensure that uses are secure and in conformity with this policy. Administrators reserve the right to examine, use, and disclose any data found on the school's information networks in order to further the health, safety, discipline, or security of any student or other person, or to protect property. They may also use this information in disciplinary actions, and will furnish evidence of crime to law enforcement.

**Internet Safety.** The attorney general shall work with the Department of Education to assist local school districts in developing their own methods for teaching Internet safety to elementary and secondary students, as well as parents, which are within the guidelines established by the Department of Education.

The attorney general shall also work with the Department of Education to establish best practices for teaching Internet safety and make those best practices and other resources, including sample curricula on Internet safety, available to public and private schools throughout Tennessee. (Ref: Tennessee Code Annotated, § 49-1-221)

The Maury County School System is educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response. (Ref. S. 1492--110th Congress (2007): Broadband Data Improvement Act)

The Maury County School System will hold at least one public meeting per year in which the public may address current and proposed technology protection measures, Internet Safety classes taught in school, and to discuss the Acceptable Use Policy.
Please read this document carefully. If you violate these provisions, access to the Internet will be denied and you will be subject to disciplinary action. Additional action may be taken by the school in line with existing policy regarding school behaviour. For serious violations, suspension or expulsion may be imposed. Where appropriate, police may be involved or other legal action taken.

School: _______________________________  Grade: ___________________

I have read and understand the above and agree to use the school computer facilities within these guidelines.

Student Name: ________________________  Signature: ________________________

I have read and understand the above.

Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________  Signature: ________________________