

TECHNOLOGY Acceptable Use Policy for Students 2014 – 2015

Grapevine-Colleyville ISD staff believes that technology offers many diverse and unique resources to both students and staff. The District's goal in providing Technology Services to staff and students is to promote educational excellence in schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovative teaching, and communication skills. The purpose of these regulations is to ensure compliance with all procedures and regulations regarding District technology usage. All users are expected to appropriately use these services. Failure to abide by these regulations will result in appropriate administrative action pursuant to applicable student policies and regulations. Users who violate these regulations may also be subject to civil and/or criminal penalties as appropriate

Conduct

- 1. Teachers shall continually monitor students to ensure appropriate computer and network use. Monitoring students is essential.
- 2. Users may not use the system for personal financial or commercial gain, business, or political use. Limited personal use as defined by Policy CQ (Local) is permitted.
- 3. Users shall not violate the rights to privacy of students or employees of Grapevine-Colleyville ISD, or others outside the school system.
- 4. Users shall not use profanity, obscenity, ethnic or racial slurs or other language that may be offensive or inflammatory to another user.
- 5. Users shall not deliberately attempt access, download, store, distribute or print files, messages or other materials that are abusive, sexually oriented, sexually explicit, obscene, threatening, harassing, slanderous, damaging to another's reputation, illegal or that offend or tend to degrade others. The administration invokes its discretionary rights to determine such suitability.
- 6. Chain letters, Unsolicited Commercial Email (UCE), SPAM and other types of bulk mailings are prohibited.

Software

It is the intent of Grapevine-Colleyville ISD to adhere to the provisions of copyright laws in the area of computer software. It is also the intent of the District to comply with the license agreements and/or policy statements contained in the software packages used in the District.

- Grapevine-Colleyville ISD students shall not duplicate any licensed software, installation codes or related documentation for use either on Grapevine-Colleyville ISD premises or elsewhere unless Grapevine-Colleyville ISD is expressly authorized to do so by agreement with the licensor.
- 2. Students shall not give software, installation codes, or related documentation to any other person, including parents, contractors, students, and others without prior written approval from the Executive Director for Technology Services or designee.

Network Use

It is the general policy of Grapevine-Colleyville ISD that network services are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner in accordance with the mission of the Grapevine-Colleyville ISD. Access to the Grapevine-Colleyville ISD computer resources is a privilege, not a right

- District students must have a valid, authorized account to access the network and use only those computer resources that are authorized.
- 2. The individual in whose name a system account is issued will be responsible at all times for its proper use. Automatic logon features are not to be used.
- 3. Vandalism is prohibited and will result in cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm, disrupt or destroy data of another user of the District's network, or any of the agencies or other networks that are connected to the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creating of computer viruses.
- 4. Users will not intentionally seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, other data, or passwords belonging to other users, or represent themselves as another user unless explicitly authorized to do so by that user.
- 5. Deliberate attempts to degrade or disrupt system performance and/or degrade, disrupt, or bypass system security are violations of District policy and administrative regulations and may constitute criminal activity under applicable state and federal laws.
- 6. Electronic mail transmissions and other use of the electronic communications system are not private and may be monitored at any time by Internet service providers, operators of system file servers, and designated District staff to ensure appropriate use.
- 7. All network modifications will be done under the direction of District WAN/LAN technical personnel. Other users may not modify or load software on the campus or District network unless authorized by the Executive Director of Technology Services or designee.
- 8. Access and/or modifications to equipment and wiring of the campus or District network rooms (MDFs/IDFs), hubs, routers, switches, cables, network wiring, IP configurations, etc., is restricted to District WAN/LAN technical personnel.
- 9. Users are prohibited from attaching personal equipment, hardware, or any other device requiring a physical connection, directly to the district network without prior written approval from the Executive Director of Technology Services or designee.

I have read and understand the GCISD Technology Acceptable Use Policy for Students. I understand the consequences for failing to abide by these regulations. I understand violations of these regulations will result in appropriate administrative action pursuant to applicable Board Policy.

Student Signature: Campus:	