

DIXIE SCHOOL DISTRICT INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

The Internet is a global computer network of schools, businesses, governments, organizations, and millions of individuals. All of them are exchanging or publishing ideas and information on thousands of topics. The Internet resources are constantly changing (and not always authoritative), and include government and scientific information, as well as material on business, current events, the arts and popular culture.

The Internet is largely unregulated, and not all of the information it carries is suitable for children. Therefore, the Dixie School District asks that parents read the following responsibilities carefully before giving permission for their child to use the Internet. We ask that students also read this document carefully before they agree to the responsibilities that accompany the privilege of Internet access. If parents tell a child that certain topics are not acceptable, it is the student's responsibility not to access these areas.

Responsibilities of Internet Use:

Every user of the Internet in the Dixie School District accepts the responsibility of respecting the rights of all other network users, and of acting in a responsible, ethical and legal manner at all times. Because in-school access to the Internet is a privilege, and because each student is personally responsible for his or her actions on the Internet, unacceptable behavior will result in the suspension or revocation of a student's personal Internet access. Some behaviors may even cause the school to lose its access rights.

All Internet users will be expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette, or netiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Be polite. Do not be abusive in messages to others. Do not "yell" by using capital letters and an exclamation point.
2. Use appropriate language. Do not use profanity, vulgarities, or inappropriate language.
3. Do not become involved in any illegal activities, including copyright violations.
4. Never reveal your personal address or phone number or those of others.
5. Respect the rights of others. Do not do anything that degrades or disrupts the use of the network, either to the software or hardware. Do not vandalize or destroy the data of another user. Do not try to gain unauthorized access to resources or entities.
6. Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to authorities.
7. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be subject to copyright law.
8. Do not use the school's Internet connection to access any kind of chat groups, games, or any inappropriate subjects without the permission of the supervising teacher.

Dixie School District and its network provider, the Marin County Office of Education, make no guarantees of any kind for the service we are providing. We will not be responsible for any damages you suffer, including loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions.

DIXIE SCHOOL DISTRICT Internet Use Agreement

STUDENT:

I have read and understand the Dixie School District Internet Use Policy and agree to abide by its terms and conditions. I understand that if I violate this use policy, my network/Internet privilege will be revoked and I will be subject to disciplinary action. I also understand that violating this use policy may subject me to criminal and/or civil liability.

Name (please print): _____

Grade: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read **and discussed with my child** the terms and conditions. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I recognize it is impossible for Dixie School District to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold the school, district or Marin County Office of Education responsible for materials acquired by my child on the network. I hereby give my permission for my child to have access to the school's Internet account and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

Yes, I give my child permission to have access to the Internet.

No, I do not give my child permission to have access to the Internet.

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Phone number: _____