



**Grand Island Public Schools**  
**Student Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access**

**General Regulations**

The Grand Island Public Schools computer network, the Internet, and other on-line resources provided by the District are intended to be used to support the instructional program and further student learning. The Grand Island Public Schools network facilities are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner in accordance with the mission of the District.

**Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access**

Both student and parent or guardian must sign the Acceptable Use Procedures form before a student can use the Grand Island Public Schools network.

**Supervision**

Certified staff shall supervise students using on-line services at the school site and may ask media assistants and paraeducators to assist in this supervision.

**User Obligations and Responsibilities**

Students are authorized to use the District's on-line services in accordance with user obligations and responsibilities specified below and in accordance with Board Policy 7352 (Access to Networked Information Resources) and the District's Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access.

1. Students shall log in and log out of the network correctly using only their own name and password. Students shall keep personal account numbers, home addresses, and telephone numbers private.
2. Students will not lend their network or email passwords or privileges to others. Students will not borrow these resources from others.
3. Students shall not read other users' files or email; they shall not attempt to interfere with other users' ability to send or receive email, nor shall they attempt to delete, copy, modify, or forge other users' files or email.
4. Students are prohibited from accessing, posting, sending, submitting, publishing, or displaying harmful matter or material that is threatening, obscene, disruptive, or sexually explicit, or that could be viewed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, or political beliefs.
5. Students shall not use the system to encourage the use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco, nor shall they promote unethical practices or any activity prohibited by law or District policy.

6. Students shall follow copyright laws as stated in Board Policy 5521 (Copyright Compliance).
7. Vandalism will result in the restriction or cancellation of user privileges. Vandalism includes the intentional uploading, downloading or creating computer viruses, and/or any malicious attempt to harm or destroy District equipment or materials or the data of any other user.
8. Students shall report any security problem or misuse of the services to the supervisor, teacher, or principal immediately without alerting others.
9. The District's system shall be used only for purposes related to education. Use of the District's system for personal or private monetary gain or political use is strictly prohibited.
10. Students are prohibited from bringing personal computers (i.e., desktops, laptops, game controllers, etc.) and related network devices into Grand Island Public Schools buildings.
11. The District has the right to monitor network activities of all users. Electronic communications and downloaded material, including files deleted from a user's account, may be monitored or read by District officials.
12. The use of the District's system is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use shall result in restriction or cancellation of those privileges, and may result in additional disciplinary action.

### **Consequences of Violation of Network and Internet Access Procedures**

Students who fail to abide by District network and Internet access procedures shall be subject to disciplinary action, possible revocation of the user account, and legal action as appropriate.

Potential consequences may include, but not be limited to:

- Restricted access to the network and Internet
- Loss of access to the network and Internet
- Possible suspension or expulsion
- Referral to law enforcement

### **Review of Student Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access**

Appropriate and acceptable use of the Grand Island Public Schools network and access to the Internet are taken very seriously. All new students and their parents or guardians must read and sign the Student Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access during the registration process. Student acceptable use procedures for network and Internet access will be reviewed with students and teachers annually. Students in grades three, six, and nine and their parents or guardians will be asked to review and sign the Student Acceptable Use Procedures for Network and Internet Access at the beginning of the school year.

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\_\_\_ I agree to allow my child to have access to the Grand Island Public Schools network and the Internet. I have read and agree to the Grand Island Public Schools Network and Internet Access procedures and I agree to be responsible for the behavior of my child.

I understand that the following is a non-exhaustive list of activities that will not be tolerated, and that violations may result in the restriction or loss of account privileges, as well as other disciplinary and/or legal actions:

- Sending or displaying offensive pictures or graphics
- Using obscene or unprofessional language
- Harassing, insulting, threatening, or abusing other network users
- Violating copyright laws
- Using another user's account and password
- Damaging computers, personal or network files
- Trespassing in another user's private files
- Attempting to circumvent network security
- Using the Grand Island Public Schools network for commercial or political purposes or individual financial gain.
- Bringing personal computers (i.e., desktops, laptops, game controllers, etc.) and related network devices into Grand Island Public Schools buildings.

I shall not hold the District responsible for materials acquired by my child on the system, for violations of copyright restrictions, users' mistakes or negligence, or any costs incurred by my child. I understand that the District cannot guarantee the accuracy or appropriateness of information or material that my child may encounter on the Internet.

\_\_\_ I do not agree to allow my child to have access to the Grand Island Public Schools network and the Internet.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Students in grades 3-12 must sign below.

\_\_\_ I have read and agree to follow the Grand Island Public Schools Network and Internet Access Procedures.

\_\_\_ I do not agree to follow the Grand Island Public Schools Network and Internet Access Procedures.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_