# ACCEPTABLE COMPUTER/NETWORK USE PROCEDURES

# PRESCHOOL - 12TH GRADE

Dear Parent or Guardian,

In the Entiat School District, your child has access to the district's computer network and to the Internet. Access to the Internet will enable your child to explore thousands of libraries and databases throughout the world and allow your child to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and individuals. The Internet allows your child to reach out to many other people to share information, learn concepts, and research subjects. These are significant learning opportunities that may help prepare your child for the future.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. When your child is given a password to use on the computer, it is extremely important that the rules are followed. Inappropriate use will result in the loss of the privilege to use this educational tool, and other disciplinary action as outlined later in this letter.

Please stress to your child the importance of using only his or her password, and of keeping it a secret from other students. Students should never let anyone else use their password to access the network. They are responsible for activity that happens through access with their passwords.

Families should be warned that some materials accessible via the Internet may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or potentially offensive to some people. While our intent is to make Internet access available to further educational goals and objective, students may find ways to access other materials as well. Based upon our established School Board Policy #2022 (Electronic Information Systems), we believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. To assist in the effort to protect students from exposure to undesirable web sites, the Entiat School District has purchased network software to filter inappropriate content so that it does not reach our students. This filter however, provides only a minimum of protection. Visual supervision by all classroom teachers, combined with educating students regarding the proper way to use the Internet, provides the most positive and effective means to make the Internet a safe and useful educational tool. Of course, parents and guardians of minors are ultimately responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources at school and at home.

The Entiat School District supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for student access to the Internet.

If you have any questions, please contact the Principal at 784-1911. Please read and complete the form on the reverse side of this letter and return it to the school office.

First & Last Name—Please Print Clearly								•
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#### STUDENT/PARENT NETWORK USER AGREEMENT

The Entiat School District is pleased to offer a variety of electronic resources to students. Electronic media (such as the Internet) is a rich resource - the value of which overshadows the possibility of undesirable materials being accessed. As a condition of each user's right to use any type of computer-related electronic media (including the Internet), all students must agree to use the system in an acceptable manner, as listed below.

- 1. I will maintain the confidentiality of my user ID and password.
- 2. I will not seek, observe, or use obscene, abusive, or offensive language and/or graphics.
- 3. I will respect other users and their rights.
- 4. I will abide by all copyright laws and licensing agreements.
- 5. I will not use the system for solicitation, advertisement, or other commercial purposes.
- 6. Entiat School District staff and system administrators retain the right to review any materials stored on the network and to remove any materials which they, in their best judgment, believe to be unlawful, obscene, abusive, or otherwise objectionable.
- 7. I will not damage computer hardware and peripherals. I will not remove, alter, copy, or add unauthorized files and/or software.
- 8. I will not attempt to access areas or activities for which I am not authorized. If loopholes in computer security systems or knowledge of a special password are encountered, I will not use them to damage computer systems, obtain extra resources, take resources from another user, gain access to systems or use systems for which proper authorization has not been given as per RCW 9A.52.110, 9A.52.120, 9A.52.130 and 9A.48.100 Also, I will report loopholes to school authorities.

<u>Violation of the above policy may result in discipline up to expulsion and/or revocation of network access and related privileges, or prosecution according to Washington State Law.</u>

As the parent or legal guardian of the minor student signing below, I grant permission for my son or daughter to access networked computer services available at school. I understand that some materials on the internet may be objectionable and it is my understanding that student access to information on the internet will be subject to varying degrees of adult supervision depending upon the age of the student. Knowing that reasonable supervision of the student activities on the internet will be provided, I accept responsibility for guidance of the internet use-setting and conveying standards for my son or daughter to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring information and media.

Parent Signature	Date	
Student Signature	Date	

### SUPERVISION PROVIDED BY GRADE LEVEL

- **Grades K-5:** Limited use for specific projects by teacher request. Websites are filtered and teacher supervises.
- Grades 6-12: Students will have independent use with limited supervision in school. Websites will be filtered. Students will have web access at home via district web filtering.

# **EXAMPLES OF UNACCEPTABLE USE**

- 1. Logging in on another's password/ID
- 2. Visiting Web sites with pornographic content
- 3. Applying "Read Only" or "Hidden" attributes to personal files
- 4. Using inappropriate file names or passwords
- Tampering with student/staff files
- 6. Tampering with hardware or connected wiring
- 7. Wasteful printing practices
- 8. Vandalism (is also subject to school discipline code)
- 9. Unsupervised use of games
- 10. Publication of content offensive to community standards