

CUYAHOGA VALLEY CAREER CENTER

STUDENT

Computer Network/Internet User Guidelines and Agreement

To access e-mail and/or the Internet at school, students under the age of eighteen (18) must obtain parent permission and must sign and return this form. Students eighteen (18) and over may sign their own forms.

It is essential for each user on the network to recognize his/her responsibility in having access to vast services, sites, systems, and people. Use of the network must be in support of education and research consistent with Board of Education policies. All programs to be downloaded and/or installed are to be done through the Technology Department. Under no circumstances should a student be permitted to download/install software without consent of the Technology Department.

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center reserves the right to monitor Internet activity and to remove user accounts for any violation of the Career Center's policy and/or Internet practices listed herein. No use of the network shall serve to disrupt network use by others or seriously degrade network performance. This includes vandalism which is defined as any malicious attempt to alter, destroy, or reduce the usability of data of another user, agency, or network. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses, or other destructive techniques. Equipment including, but not limited to, hardware or software shall not be destroyed, modified, or abused in any way.

Students should be aware that there is no expectation of privacy in the use of electronic mail or the Internet when using school facilities for access: system administrators and operators can access mail, and mail software may misdirect messages. The school reserves the right but does not assume the obligation to monitor such access. Messages relating to, or in support of, illegal activities will be reported to appropriate authorities.

The Board has implemented technology protection measures which block/filter Internet access to visual displays that are obscene, child pornography or harmful to minors. The Board also monitors online activity of students in an effort to restrict access to child pornography and other material that is obscene, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. Nevertheless, parents/guardians are advised that determined users may be able to gain access to information, communication and/or services on the Internet which the Board of Education has not authorized for educational purposes and/or which they and/or their parents/guardians may find inappropriate, offensive, objectionable or controversial. Parents/Guardians assume this risk by consenting to allow their students to participate in the use of the Internet. Student's accessing the Internet through the school's computers assume personal responsibility and liability, both civil and criminal, for unauthorized or inappropriate use of the Internet. Illegal activities of any nature are strictly forbidden and will be reported to the appropriate authorities. Violators will lose network privileges which may impact successful program completion for unauthorized persons for the school year, and may face possible prosecution. These activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The illegal installation of copyrighted software
2. Use of the network to access, or process, pornographic material or inappropriate text
3. Transmission, or reception, of any material in violation of U.S. or state regulations including, but not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening or obscene materials, or material protected by trade secret
4. Any reporting of private communications without prior consent of the author. (All outside communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.)
5. Any attempts to bypass the security or filtering/protection measures.
6. Sharing your password and/or account with others, or using another's password/account.
7. Cyber bullying, harassing, or intimidating students or staff.
8. Posting or unauthorized use of copyrighted material(s)

Declaration of Understanding and Adherence

I have read the "Computer Network/Internet User Guidelines and Agreement" document; understand it; and agree to adhere to the principles and procedures detailed within. Should I breach the guidelines, I understand that I will lose all network privileges on the Internet and may be subject to disciplinary actions as listed in the student/parent handbook.

To the extent that proprietary rights in the design of a web site hosted on the Board's servers would vest in me/my child upon creation, I agree to assign those rights to the board, and give permission for:

1. me/my child to use and access the Internet at school and for the Board to issue network access log-in code to me/my child.
2. for the Board to transmit "live" images of me/my child (as part of a group) over the Internet, or through videoconferencing
3. I authorize and license the Board to post my/my child's class work on the Internet without infringing upon any copyright I/my child may own with respect to such class work. I understand only my/my child's first name will accompany such class work.

Student:

I have read and agree to abide by the Computer Network/Internet User Guidelines and Agreement. I understand that any violation of the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement is inappropriate and may constitute a criminal offense. As a user of the Board's computers/network and the Internet, I agree to communicate over the Internet and the Network in an appropriate manner, honoring all relevant laws, restrictions and guidelines. I understand that if internet and network privileges are lost, this may result in my inability to successfully complete the program.

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Student Signature	Name (Please Print)
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Date	Program Name

Student Under the Age of Eighteen (18) Must Also Have Parent/Guardian Sign:

As the parent/guardian of this student, I have read the Computer Network/Internet User Guidelines and Agreement, and have discussed it with my child. I understand that student access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes and that the Board has taken available precautions to restrict and/or control student access to material on the Internet that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. However, I recognize that it is impossible for the Board to restrict access to all objectionable and/or controversial materials that may be found on the Internet. I will not hold the Board (or any of its employees, administrators or officers) responsible for materials my child may acquire or come in contact with while on the Internet. Additionally, I accept responsibility for communicating to my child guidance concerning his/her acceptable use of the Internet - i.e., setting and conveying standards for my daughter/son to follow when selecting, sharing and exploring information and resources on the Internet. I further understand that students and parents/guardians may be liable for violations.

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Parent/Guardian	Date

The Superintendent or designee, along with teachers and principals are responsible for determining what is unauthorized or inappropriate use. The principal may deny, revoke or suspend access to the Network/Internet to individuals who violate the Board's Computer Network/Internet User Guidelines and Agreement and take such other disciplinary action as is appropriate pursuant to the Student Code of Conduct.