

Armada Area Schools Technology Policy 2008-2009

The Board of Education of Armada Area Schools has adopted a Technology Policy to protect the many types of equipment, computer software, and other forms of technology available for use. It is our philosophy, that in order to enhance the learning process, technology should be made available to everyone. The use of equipment and the Internet is a conditional privilege. Disciplinary action will be taken against anyone not adhering to this policy.

The Internet is for educational use only. Armada Area Schools has taken all available precautions to restrict users from accessing inappropriate materials. However, it is impossible to filter out every inappropriate web site. Therefore, we expect the user to take responsibility in using the Internet, and at no time shall a user intentionally look for an inappropriate web site or perform any of the following:

- ❖ Access the Internet with someone else's account and password
- ❖ Give their user account/password to someone else
- ❖ Use the Internet to send or receive messages that are not of educational value
- ❖ Use the Internet for personal gain
- ❖ Use the Internet to obtain illegal copies of software or printed materials. Users must obey all copyright laws.
- ❖ Give out personal information on the Internet, nor agree to meet people without parental consent

USER RIGHTS

Users have the right to use all authorized equipment and software and to access the Internet as long as there is a signed "Technology Policy Agreement."

USER RESPONSIBILITIES

- ❖ All users have the responsibility to properly utilize equipment and software in the appropriate assigned areas of the school
- ❖ Any user caught intentionally destroying or tampering with equipment and software will face disciplinary action
- ❖ Users will adhere to all rules established for the use of equipment and software in the classroom, computer labs, media centers, or office area
- ❖ Users must never transmit computer viruses
- ❖ Users must never destroy or tamper with other users files, directories, account information or passwords

ARMADA AREA SCHOOLS TECHNOLOGY POLICY AGREEMENT FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS & STUDENTS

Access and use of technology in the Armada Area Schools is a conditional right for students and staff. Every person accessing technology must read the Technology Policy and agree to adhere to the policy before a student is allowed to access any of the technology equipment or Internet.

I have read the Armada Area Schools Technology Policy and fully accept the policy as set. I further understand that I will face disciplinary action as described in the Disciplinary Action section of the policy if I do not adhere to these guidelines. I further understand that if I am under the age of 18, my parents/legal guardian will assume the financial restitution involved to the Armada Area School District.

We, the parents/legal guardian of _____,
have read and discussed the Technology Policy with our son/daughter and agree to its condition, rules, and regulations.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature Date: _____

I, _____, have read and discussed with my parents/guardians the Technology Policy and agree to its condition, rules, and regulations.

Student Signature Date: _____

Please fill out this form and return it to the Academy. All forms will be kept by the building Principal unless it is revoked by the parents or school district.