

NAPA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY
Electronic Information Resource Use Contract for 9 - 12

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The Internet is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers and millions of individual people all over the world. Students, teachers, support staff, parents and community members with internet accounts have access to: (1) electronic mail (e-mail) communication; (2) information and news from a variety of sources and research institutions; (3) public domain and shareware software of all types; (4) discussion groups on a wide variety of topics; (5) access to many university libraries, the Library of Congress, and more!

With access to computers and people all over the world also comes the availability of some material that may not be considered to be of educational value within the context of the school setting. Napa Valley Unified School District (NVUSD) has taken precautions to restrict access to controversial or harmful materials as defined by California Penal Code 313(A). The Napa Valley Unified School District firmly believes that the valuable information and interaction available on this worldwide network far outweigh the possibility of users procuring material that is not consistent with the educational goals within each school. Our goal is to provide a service to support our curriculum and promote the expansion of learning experiences for our students.

Please read this contract carefully. When signed by you and your parent/guardian, it becomes legally binding. If any user violates any of these provisions, his or her account on the internet will be terminated; all future access may be denied and disciplinary action may be taken. The signatures at the end of this document indicate the parties who signed have read the terms and conditions carefully and understand their significance.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- I. ACCEPTABLE USE:** The purpose of the internet is to support research and education in and among academic institutions by providing access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work. The use of your account must be in support of education and research and consistent with the educational objectives of NVUSD. Transmission of any material in violation of any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret. Use for commercial activities by for-profit institutions is not acceptable. Use for product advertisement or political lobbying is also prohibited. You will be responsible for assisting with monitoring the account. You will be asked to periodically report your experiences using the internet and any misuse you have encountered. (Initials _____)

- II. PRIVILEGES:** The use of the internet is a PRIVILEGE, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in cancellation of those privileges. The administration, teachers and/or staff of NVUSD may request the system administrator to deny, revoke, or suspend specific user accounts. (Initials _____)

- III. NETIQUETTE (NETWORK ETIQUETTE):** The use of an internet account requires that you abide by accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. BE POLITE. Do not send abusive messages to ANYONE.
 - 2. USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE. In all messages, do not swear or use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language. Anything pertaining to illegal activities is strictly forbidden.
 - 3. PRIVACY. Do not reveal the personal address or phone numbers of yourself or any other person. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed private property. Note that electric mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activity may be reported to the authorities.

4. **CONNECTIVITY.** Do not use the network in such a way that would disrupt the use of the network by others.

IV. SERVICES: NVUSD will not be responsible for any damages you may suffer. This includes loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by our operation of the system or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the internet is at your own risk.

V. SECURITY: Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. If you feel you can identify a security problem, you must notify a teacher or system administrator either in person or via the network. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Do not use another individual's account without written permission from that individual. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to computers.

VI. VANDALISM: Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges and perpetrators will be subject to disciplinary action under NVUSD Policy 5144, Student Discipline. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.

NETWORK RESPONSIBILITY CONTRACT

Student Contract

"I understand and will abide by the above Terms and Conditions for an account on the NVUSD school server. I further understand that any violation of the regulations above is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation my access privilege may be revoked, school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken."

USER

SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____

Parent or Guardian Contract

(If user is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must also read and sign this agreement.)

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Terms and Conditions for internet use. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes and Napa Valley Unified School District has taken precautions to eliminate controversial materials. However, I also recognize it is impossible for Napa Valley Unified School District to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired on the network.

Further, I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a school setting. I hereby give my permission to issue an account for my child and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

Parent or Guardian (please print):

SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____