

Cowan Community Schools

STUDENT TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY AGREEMENT

To access Technology Resources (see definition in Bylaw 0100), including a school-assigned e-mail account 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.

Use of Corporation Technology Resources is a privilege, not a right. The Corporation's Technology Resources, including its computer network, Internet connection and online educational services/apps, are provided for educational purposes only. Unauthorized and inappropriate use will result in loss of this privilege and/or other disciplinary action.

The Corporation has implemented technology protection measures, that protect against (e.g. block/filter) Internet access to visual displays/depictions/materials that are obscene, constitute child pornography, or are harmful to minors. The Corporation also monitors online activity of students in an effort to restrict access to child pornography and other material that is obscene, objectionable, 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 that the School Board has not authorized for educational purposes and/or that 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. Students using Corporation Technology Resources are personally responsible and liable, both civilly and criminally, for unauthorized or inappropriate use of the Resources.

The Corporation has the right, at any time, to access, monitor, review and inspect any directories, files and/or messages residing on or sent using the Corporation's Technology Resources. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities will be reported to the appropriate authorities. Individual users have no expectation of privacy related to their use of Corporation Technology Resources.

Please complete the following information:

Student User's Full Name (please print): _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian

As the parent/guardian of this student, I have read the Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety Policy and Guidelines, and have discussed them with my child. I understand that student access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes and that the Corporation 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 minor. However, I recognize that it is impossible for the Corporation to restrict access to all objectionable and/or controversial materials that may be found on the Internet. I will not hold the Corporation (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 individuals and families may be liable for violations.

To the extent that proprietary rights in the design of a web page, site, service or app hosted on the Corporation-owned or Corporation-affiliated servers would vest in my child upon creation, I agree to assign those rights to the Corporation.

Further, I give permission for my child to use and access the Internet at school and for the Corporation to issue an e-mail account to my child. I give permission for my child's image (photograph) to be published online, provided only his/her first name is used. I give permission for the Corporation to transmit "live" images of my child (as part of a group) over the Internet via a web cam. I also authorize and license the Corporation to post my child's class work on the Internet without infringing upon any copyright my child may own with respect to such class work. I understand only my child's first name will accompany such class work.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student

I have read and agree to abide by the Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety Policy and Guidelines. I understand that any violation of the terms and conditions set forth in the Policy and Guidelines is inappropriate and may constitute a criminal offense. As a user of the Corporation's Technology Resources, I agree to communicate over the Internet and the Technology Resources in an appropriate manner, honoring all relevant laws, restrictions and guidelines.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teachers and building principals are responsible for determining what is unauthorized or inappropriate use. The principal may deny, revoke or suspend access to the Technology Resources to individuals who violate the Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety Policy and related Guidelines, and take such other disciplinary action as is appropriate pursuant to the Student Code of Conduct.