Worcester Central School

Computer & Internet Use Agreement

Access to the Internet is a wonderful opportunity to interact with the world at large. The opportunity brings with it a number of responsibilities. In order to use the internet services available in the Worcester School District, you must read the following information and sign the computer/internet agreement that follows.

- 1. The use of any Worcester School District computer which provides access to the Internet is a privilege which may be revoked by instructors, staff, or administrators at any time for abusive or inappropriate conduct. Such conduct would include, but is not limited to, the placing of unlawful information on or through the computer, system, accessing another person's files or e-mail, and the use of obscene, abusive, or otherwise objectionable language or images in either public or private files or messages.
- 2. Because of the potentially large number of individuals who might need to use the computers for Internet as well as personal productivity, student access may be limited to a specified time, as provided by the instructor(s) and/or administration.
- 3. The district reserves the right to inspect any material stored in files to which users have access and will edit or remove any material which the district staff, in its sole discretion, believes may be objectionable. Users of the computers/Internet will not use their account to obtain, view, download, or otherwise gain access to potentially objectionable materials. This includes text materials, video images, or sound files that may be considered objectionable.
- 4. The district's Internet access is provided primarily for educational purposes under the direction of district staff. Noneducational use may be limited at any time by district staff.
- 5. Information services and features contained on the Worcester School District network are intended for the private use of its patrons. Any commercial or other unauthorized use of those materials, in any form, is expressly forbidden.
- 6. The district does not warrant that the functions of the system will meet any specific requirements you may have, or that it will be error-free or interrupted; nor shall it be liable for any direct or indirect, incidental, or consequential damages (including lost data, information, or profits) sustained or incurred in connection with the use, operation, or inability to use the system.
- 7. Rules and regulations of system usage will be added and posted from time to time by the faculty/administrators of the district and/or the network. Users of computers/Internet are subject to these rules and regulations.
- 8. The Worcester School District's computers/network is intended for the exclusive use of its registered users. As a user, you are responsible for the use of your password and account. Any problems which arise from the use of a user's account are the responsibility of the account holder. Any misuse will result in suspension of the account privileges.
- 9. Deletion, examination, copying, or modification of files and/or data belonging to other users without their prior consent is prohibited.
- 10. Commercial software is placed on the computer for the use and convenience of students and staff. Any unlawful use such as the copying of copyrighted material without the express written permission of the owner or the proper license is prohibited.
- 11. Any unauthorized, deliberate action which damages or disrupts a computing system (including the willful introduction of computer "viruses" or other disruptive/destructive programs), alters its normal performance, or causes it to malfunction is prohibited. Intentional attempts to "crash" network systems or programs are punishable disciplinary offenses.

COMPUTER/INTERNET USAGE AGREEMENT

I have read the Worcester School District Computer/Internet Usage Agreement, understand it, and agree to adhere to the principles and procedures listed within. I also understand that additional rules and regulations may be added from time to time and that they become a part of this agreement. Should I break this agreement, I understand that I may lose all computer/Internet privileges. I also understand that inappropriate or illegal use of computer facilities could result in civil or criminal lawsuits. Parents and/or guardians may be held accountable for inappropriate use by their child.

 Sponsoring Teacher
 Date

 Student Signature
 Date

Parent Signature (required)