

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Internet Acceptable Use Agreement

Students are being given access to the District's electronic communications system. Through this system, they will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and people around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks. They will have access to hundreds of databases, libraries, and computer services all over the world.

With this opportunity comes responsibility. It is important that students read the District policy, administrative regulations, and agreement form and ask questions if they need help in understanding them. Inappropriate system use will result in the loss of the privilege of using this educational and administrative tool.

Please note that the Internet is a network of many types of communication and information networks. It is possible that a student may run across some material he/she might find objectionable. While the District will take reasonable steps to restrict access to such material, it is not possible to absolutely prevent such access. It will be their responsibility to follow the rules for appropriate use.

The account is to be used only for educational and administrative purposes; or

The account is to be used mainly for educational purposes, but some limited personal use is permitted;

You will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of your account, and the District may suspend or revoke your access if you violate the rules.

People who receive e-mail from you with a school address might think your message represents the school's point of view.

Inappropriate Uses

Using the system for any illegal purpose.

Borrowing someone's account without permission.

Downloading or using copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder.

Posting messages or accessing materials that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal.

Wasting school resources through improper use of the computer system.

Intentionally damaging district hardware/software.

Disabling or attempting to disable any Internet filtering device.

Encrypting communications to avoid security review.

Posting persona information about yourself or others (such as addresses and phone numbers).

Intentionally introducing a virus to the computer system.

Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources.

Consequences For Inappropriate Use

Suspension of access to the system;

Revocation of the computer system account; or

Other disciplinary or legal action, in accordance with the District policies and applicable laws.

INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

USER/STUDENT

I have read and will abide by the Palacios ISD Internet Acceptable Use Agreement. I understand that the use of the District's electronic communication system is a privilege and violation of these provisions is unethical and may result in access to the system being revoked and/or disciplinary/legal action being taken.

User's Printed Name: _____

User's Signature: _____ Student ID#: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN (Must be signed if the user is a minor)

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Palacios ISD Internet Acceptable Use Agreement and agree to promote its provisions with my child. I recognize it is impossible for the school district to restrict access to all controversial materials. I further understands that the use of the District's electronic communication system is a privilege and violation of these provisions is unethical and may result in access to the system being revoked and/or disciplinary/legal action being taken.

_____ I give permission for my child to access the Internet with the Palacios ISD electronic communication system

_____ I do not give permission for my child to access the Internet within the Palacios ISD electronic communication system

Signature of parent or guardian

Date

STUDENT MEDIA RELEASE AGREEMENT

(Circle one) I give OR do not give my permission for my child's work and/or photograph to be used.

I understand that photographs/interviews/video tapes, student work or portions thereof may be used for public viewing [including but not exclusive to: yearbook entities, various Palacios ISD slide shows, presentations by district employees at conferences and/or workshops, Palacios ISD web sites, Palacios ISD created and distributed print media, Education Service Center displays/publication, and local newspapers].

Name of Child _____ Grade _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____ School _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____