

Network Acceptable Use Guidelines

Use of Mead School District's electronic resources by its students and staff shall be in support of education or for school-related business and operations and in accordance with Mead's Electronic Resources Policy and Procedures 2022. Network access is limited to those students and staff who have returned a signed network contract.

To that end, students, staff and guests who use our electronic resources will follow the guidelines set forth below.

- 1. Protect your password information. Do not let others know or use your passwords.
- 2. Respect the privacy of other users. Do not use passwords other than your own.
- 3. Be courteous and ethical. Do not produce, send, save or publish information or communication that is profane, obscene, pornographic, hateful, harassing, bullying or discriminatory or engage in any other antisocial behaviors.
- 4. Maintain the integrity of files and data. Do not access, change or copy files/data of other users without their consent.
- 5. Do not destroy, modify or abuse hardware or software in any way. Unauthorized access into the network or its information systems is prohibited.
- 6. Use the network in a way that does not disrupt its use by others. Certain uses or applications may be banned because they consume too many network resources at the expense of other users. Examples include on-line gaming, chain letters, broadcast messages and file or web download or sharing programs.
- 7. Students should never provide personal information such as full names, addresses, telephone numbers and school names without getting permission from their parents/guardians.
- 8. Students should never make arrangements to meet in person someone encountered online without getting permission from their parents/guardians.
- 9. Students should notify their teacher or a trusted adult if they see any information or communication that is profane, obscene, pornographic, hateful, harassing, bullying or discriminatory or makes them feel uncomfortable.
- 10. Do not use the network for commercial or political purposes.
- 11. Treat information created by others as the private property of the creator. Respect copyrights and give credit appropriately.

Our District reserves the right to take disciplinary action or legal action for any illegal, unacceptable or unethical use of our electronic resources. Violations can be cause for suspension of access to school computers and/or removal of network access privileges, other school disciplinary actions and/or appropriate legal actions.