# Marion County Schools
## 2020 - 2021 Student Acceptable Use Policy

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            **Student Name**                    **School**               **Grade**          **Homeroom Teacher**          **Student WVEIS #**

The use of digital technology as well as the internet provides great educational benefits to students.  Unfortunately, some materials accessible via technology/Internet may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, or potentially offensive to some people, the Marion County School system does not condone the use of such materials**.**  Access to technology at school is provided and considered as a privilege which is afforded to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner.  **Marion County Schools require that students and their parent/guardian read, accept, and sign the following rules for acceptable technology use while a student is enrolled in Marion County Schools.**

1.  Students are responsible for proper and ethical behavior when using technology.  General school rules, county/state regulations for behavior (Policy 4373) and communications apply.
2.  Network storage areas are treated like school lockers.  The network administrator(s) may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly; therefore, users should not expect their activities or files to be private.
3.  Specific examples of **unauthorized use include but are not limited to the following.**
    *   Participation in any form of cyber bullying regardless on any network (e.g. sexting, bashing, threats, hateful messages, etc.)
    *   Use of Snapchat, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or other modes of messaging to harass and or intimidate students or staff during school hours.
    *   Downloading/executing non-educational activities (e.g. solitaire/games, instant messaging, shopping, media other than approved for use activities.)
    *   Creating, storing, transmitting, receiving, forwarding, posting, publishing, or viewing pornographic and/or sexually explicit material regardless of the network or form of technology used
    *   Using e-mail user IDs other than one's own and sharing of private passwords
    *   Misrepresenting an individual's identity or sources of communication or data (e.g. hijacking, hacking, plagiarism, phishing, online impersonation of any form, language translators and requesting that inappropriate material be transferred)
    *   Illegally accessing another person's data or private system files
    *   Corrupting, destroying, deleting, or manipulating resources with malicious intent (e.g. viruses, worms etc.)
    *   Unauthorized, willful altering of setup preferences, programs, properties, or other system settings
    *   Violating safety and/or security measures when using email, chat rooms, and other forms of electronic communications
    *   Disclosing, using, or disseminating personal information including inappropriate or unauthorized photos of faculty, staff, and students.
4.  Web page publishing will be developed according to **West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2460**\* (Safety and Acceptable Use of the Internet by Students and Educators).
5.  All users of technology are required to adhere to **West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2460**\*. When utilizing e-mail for school related work and events (Microsoft Office 365) accounts shall be utilized.
6.  Violations will result in the loss of specific technology privileges for up to one school year as well as possible legal action.
7.  I understand that the Marion County Schools Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) can be modified at the discretion of the school administration with approval by the Superintendent.  A copy of the AUP form can be found on the Marion County Schools' web page (*www.marionboe.com*) or a hard copy may be made available upon request.

\* A copy of **West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2460** will be on file at the school and the Marion County Board of Education office as well as the WV Department of Education's web page (***http://wvde.state.wv.us/***) under "Policies."

I have read and understand the rules for acceptable technology usage and agree to comply with the stated rules.  Should I violate the rules, I accept responsibility for my conduct and understand that I will lose technology access privileges at my school at a minimum the remainder of the school year and is the discretion of the school principal.

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       **Student Name (print)**                         **Student Signature**                                  **Date**

As the parent or legal guardian of the student signing above, I grant permission for the above named student to access technology resources and services**.  I understand that some materials on the Internet may be objectionable, but I accept responsibility for providing guidance to the above student for Internet use, both inside and outside of school, including the setting and conveying of standards for the above student to follow when selecting, sharing or exploring information and media.**

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  **Parent/Guardian Name (print)**                **Parent/Guardian Signature**                         **Date**

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