Electronic Communications & Mobile Learning Initiative Policies and Expectations

### Acceptable Use Policy:

Strawn ISD computers, chromebooks and network resources are provided by the school for student and faculty use for academic purposes. As a member of a computerized community, each user recognizes that access to technology **is a privilege and not a right**. Further, each of us acknowledges personal responsibility for content and conduct in connection with his or her user account. Parent/guardian permission is required for student use.

It is expected that users will comply with stated standards as they are listed below. The school will make every effort to communicate these standards and to supervise the activities of its users. In this light, **administrators and other appointed personnel may review files and communications to maintain system integrity** and to ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on the school's servers or within the school's Google Apps for Education domain to be private.

Individual users are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of technology etiquette, the school's rules as stipulated in its handbooks, and all relevant state and federal laws in the use of Strawn ISD networks and systems. Because the Strawn ISD computers and network are for educational as opposed to recreational use, unless under the direction of a faculty member, the following types of activities **will not be permitted**:

-Game playing while in instructional setting
-Sending personal email
-Altering the appearance of the desktop, cursors, or other icons (where prohibited)
-Downloading or streaming music and video files in instructional setting
-Using flash drives to run programs or circumvent the Acceptable Use Policy
-Sending, displaying, or storing offensive messages, pictures or sound files (i.e., music or personal email)
-Using obscene language or harassing, insulting, or attacking others
-Damaging computers, computer systems, software, or computer networks
-Violating copyright laws
-Downloading or copying software to or from School computers
-Using anyone else's identity, user ID, or password or otherwise gaining unauthorized access to computing or network resources

-Using the School's computers or networks for commercial purposes

Violations may result in the loss of privileges as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

As a user of the Strawn ISD technology, I hereby agree to comply with all current and future rules.

As the parent or legal guardian of the minor student signing above, I grant permission for this student to access networked computer services, such as electronic mail and the internet, for educational purposes on the Strawn ISD school campus. I understand that some materials on the internet may be objectionable, and I accept responsibility for reinforcing school policy with respect to internet use and all other computer use policies as set forth in this agreement.

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#### **Recognition of Ethical Computer Conduct Beyond Campus**

Blogs, or "weblogs" ("web" + "log"), have become popular forms of communication and socialization in today's technologically oriented society. Sites/Apps such as *Snapchat, Instagram* and *facebook* are examples of many online diaries where people can engage in "cyber socializing." Strawn ISD recognizes that this is a part of the digital world in which our students are most comfortable. The school also knows that its direct control over a student's use of technology is limited to his or her time on campus.

Still, we believe that we have a duty in preparing students to be ethical participants in an interdependent and technologically driven world to educate them to the potential perils and realities of blogging, web-page authoring, instant and text messaging, and other forms of electronic communication. As such, we share the following points of consideration:

- Keep in mind that whatever you post on a public blog or electronic space can be seen by your friends, your enemies, your teachers, your parents, college admissions officers, and potential employers; before you reveal personal information online, carefully consider whether you want that to be public now and in the future.
- 2) Expect the school administration to take note of and, if necessary, disciplinary action in response to information communicated on public sites that:
  - conveys a physical threat toward a Strawn ISD student, teacher, or administrator;
  - advocates for the immediate violation of any laws or school rules;
  - defames or denigrates individuals affiliated with the Strawn ISD community;
  - impersonates any member of the Strawn ISD community;
  - encourages other students to read, post, or send comments to you or your blog/social media site while at school;
  - suggests that one's blog, website, or other electronic communication is sponsored by or affiliated with the school.

As the leaders of tomorrow, we would hope and expect the Strawn ISD students of today to set positive examples through their words and actions, both on and off campus. The Information Age has challenged us to redefine the rules of etiquette and civility when it comes to appropriate communication. We would urge you, as you consider what constitutes an appropriate and civil representation of yourself, to ask: "will my actions reflect well upon my family, my school, and me?"

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### **Expectations and Responsibilities**

#### SCHOOL'S responsibilities include:

- providing a Chromebook to each student in grades K through 12.
- providing a protective/carrying case to each student in grades K through 12.
- ensuring an adequate supply of loaner Chromebooks in case of loss or damage.
- providing reliable and robust WiFi access to the Internet while on campus.
- providing students adequate opportunities to explore the Chromebook and Google Apps for Education while at school.

#### STUDENTS are responsible for the following:

- treating my Chromebook and others' as I would my own personal property.
- transporting my Chromebook to and from school in the School provided protective carrying case.
- securing my Chromebook in the School provided protective carrying case when at practice or games.
- leaving the Strawn ISD tags on my Chromebook and charger intact.
- leaving my Chromebook in my assigned work-in carrying case at **ALL TIMES**.

#### STUDENTS are expected to do the following:

- charge my Chromebook each night in preparation for the next school day.
- bring my Chromebook and its charger to school each day.
- not leave my Chromebook unattended in the hallways, on the floor, or in campus buildings.
- use the Chromebook provided to me and not borrow others should I forget mine at home.

#### STUDENTS are able to do the following:

- freely use the Chromebook to help organize myself and my studies.
- download free apps from the Chrome Web Store to help with my studies.
- decorate the Chromebook cover to help make it my own -- no markers or paint please.

#### PARENT/GUARDIAN responsibilities include:

- ensuring my child meets the expectations of the Chromebook Program as outlined in the Student Responsibility Form.
- protecting the Chromebook, within reason, against damage, loss or theft.
- ensuring my child's Chromebook is carried, at all times, in the school issued Chromebook case in order to prevent damage to the device.
- ensuring my child reports damage to their Chromebook to Strawn ISD immediately.
- ensuring my child has adequate opportunities to use the Chromebook and Google Apps for Education while at home.

#### PARENT/GUARDIAN fiscal responsibility as part of Chromebook Program includes:

- paying insurance dues before my child's Chromebook is allowed to be taken home.
- paying for lost or damaged parts which are outlined in the **<u>Strawn ISD Device Damage Policy</u>**..
- paying any fees or dues in a timely manner as outlined in the **<u>Strawn ISD Device Damage Policy</u>**.

The Chromebook Program at Strawn ISD is a partnership between Strawn ISD School ("the School") and families ("family", "parents", "children", "child" or "student") in grades K through 12.

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Technology Fee is \$20 per student per year. All students must pay the \$20 fee in order to have a chromebook issued to him or her or use school technology and/or iPads in PK. I understand I am responsible for any damages incurred on my student's device either on or off school property. Upon a unit becoming damaged, the Strawn ISD technology director is to be contacted immediately stating the damage that has occurred @ jeli@strawnschool\_net. Students are responsible for coming to see Coach Eli as soon as it occurs.

I understand that my family is responsible for the following fees, should they occur:

Damage	1st Incident/Any additional Occurrence
Lost or Broken Stylus	\$40
Lost/Damaged Power Cord	\$35-/\$50
Broken Chromebook cover/case (plastic case)	\$20/\$40
Lost/Damaged Carrving Case	\$30/\$40
Broken Screen	\$150
Broken Kevboard. Chassis. Spine. Hinges. Lid	\$30-/\$75
Battery Damage	\$30/\$65
*Lost Unit / Damaged Bevond Repair (1. time)	\$125/\$325
iPad Damage	\$75/\$325

\* A \$325 Replacement Cost is charged for units that become lost or stolen or have been damaged beyond repair after the 1st offense. Upon a second offense, the family will be responsible for paying the above price for a replacement unit.

\* The reduced cost is only applicable upon the first offense. The second offense will incur the full replacement cost for any of the different parts.

I understand that:

- All payments for repairs must be made BEFORE students are allowed to take a second / repaired unit.
- Fines must be cleared within **30 days** of being issued.
- In accordance to HB1332, the school has the right to hold student records until all fees are paid and/or pursue legal actions at the cost of the family.
- Damage, loss, or theft must be reported immediately to either a school administrator or to the technology director (John Eli)