# San Bruno Park School District STUDENT INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

The District believes in the educational value of the Internet, including electronic mail, and recognizes its potential to serve as a resource for improving, extending, and enriching student learning. The goal in providing this service is to promote educational excellence by facilitating access to information, communication, resource sharing, and innovation.

Internet access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies and regional and state networks. The smooth operation of the network relies upon the proper conduct of the end user who must adhere to strict guidelines. These guidelines are provided here so that you are aware of your responsibilities.

In general, this requires efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the network resources. If a user violates any of these provisions, future access may be denied and you will be subject to disciplinary and/or legal action.

#### **Internet Contract: Terms and Conditions**

- Acceptable Use The use of the Internet must be in support of education and research and
  consistent with the goals and objectives of the District. Use of other organization's network or
  computing resources must comply with the rules appropriate for that network. You will be
  responsible for assisting with monitoring the use of the service and reporting any misuse.
- 2. Unacceptable Use Transmission of any material in violation of any local, state, or federal regulations is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening, harassing or obscene material, and sexually explicit language. Use for commercial purposes, product advertisement, or political lobbying is also prohibited. Any transmission or reception of pornographic material is expressly prohibited and will result in the cancellation of Internet access.
- 3. **Privileges** The use of the Internet is a privilege, and unacceptable use will result in cancellation of those privileges. School district officials will deem what is appropriate and may deny, revoke or suspend specific user access.
- 4. **Network Etiquette** You are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include (but are not limited to) the following:
  - a. Be polite, considerate, and respectful in all communications
  - b. Use appropriate language at all times
  - c. Do not reveal your personal address or phone numbers of students or friends
  - d. Report electronic mail messages relating to illegal activities to school officials
  - e. Do not use the network in such a way that you would disrupt the use of the network by other users
  - f. Respect others' privacy by assuming that all communications and information accessible via the Internet is private property
- 5. **Security** Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. Do not use another individual's account. Attempts to login to the Internet as a system administrator will result in cancellation of user privileges. School officials may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure users are acting responsibly.

- 6. **Vandalism** Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user or any other agencies or networks that are connected to the system. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses. Vandalism will result in cancellation of Internet privileges and monetary restitution for damages to the system.
- 7. **Responsibility** The District makes no guarantees of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. The District will not be responsible for any damages a user may suffer, including loss of data, misdeliveries, or service interruptions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at your own risk.
- 8. **Consequences for Misuse** Any user violating these provisions is subject to loss of Internet privileges and any other disciplinary actions, including criminal prosecution. School district officials will make the final determination as to what constitutes the severity of misuse.

## **EDUCATIONAL INTERNET USE: CONTRACT AGREEMENT**

### **Student Section of Contract**

I understand and will abide by the stated terms and conditions for Internet access. Misuse can come in many forms, but may viewed as any electronic messages sent or received that indicate or suggest pornography, racism, sexism, or contain inappropriate language. I further understand that any violation of the Internet regulations is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation of the Internet regulations, my access privileges may be revoked, school disciplinary action may be taken and/or appropriate legal action may be pursued against me.

Student Name (please print)	
Student Signature:	
Date:	

## **Parent / Guardian Section of Contract**

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the terms and conditions for Internet access. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I also recognize it is impossible for the District to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold the District responsible for materials acquired by my child on the Internet.

Misuse can come in many forms, but can be viewed as any electronic messages sent or received that indicate or suggest pornography, racism, sexism, or contain inappropriate language. I hereby give my permission for my child to have access to the school Internet and accept responsibility for setting and conveying standards for my child to follow when using school Internet services.

Parent/Guardian (please print)	
Signature:	
Date:	