



Alma Public Schools
Student Education Technology Acceptable Use and Safety Agreement
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Technology has fundamentally altered the ways in which information is accessed, communicated, and transferred in society. As a result, educators are continually adapting their means and methods of instruction, and the way they approach student learning, to incorporate the vast, diverse, and unique resources available through the Internet. The Board provides students with access to the Internet for limited educational purposes only and utilizes online educational services/apps to enhance the instruction delivered to its students. The District's computer network and Internet system do not serve as a public access service or a public forum, and the Board imposes reasonable restrictions on its use consistent with its limited educational purpose.

Computer users at Alma agree to the Terms and Conditions set forth in this document and Board Policy 7540.03.

Alma Public Schools adheres to federal requirements regarding the CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act). Any attempt to circumvent this act could result in the loss of all privileges and could result in civil or criminal charges being filed.

The Board also utilizes software and/or hardware to monitor the online activity of students to restrict access to material that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate, and/or harmful to minors.

Individuals are advised that users may be able to gain access to services and/or resources on the Internet that the Board has not authorized for educational purposes. In fact, it is impossible to guarantee students will not gain access through the Internet to information and communications that they and/or their parents/guardians may find inappropriate, offensive, objectionable, or controversial. Parents/Guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using the Internet.

Staff members shall provide instruction for their students regarding the appropriate use of technology and online safety and security as specified above. Furthermore, staff members will monitor the online activities of students while at school. Monitoring may include, but is not necessarily limited to, visual observations of online activities during class sessions; or the use of specific monitoring tools to review browser history and network, server, and computer logs.

Students will be assigned a school e-mail account that they are required to utilize for all school-related electronic communications, including those to staff members, peers, and individuals, and/or organizations outside the District with whom they are communicating for school-related projects and assignments.

Students are responsible for good behavior when using District Technology Resources – i.e., behavior comparable to that expected of students when they are in classrooms, school hallways, and other school premises and school-sponsored events. Communications on the Internet are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communication apply.

Users who disregard this policy and its accompanying guidelines may have their use privileges suspended or revoked, and disciplinary action taken against them. Users are personally responsible and liable, both civilly and criminally, for uses of District Technology Resources that are not authorized by this policy and its accompanying guidelines.

Student

I understand and will abide by the Terms and Conditions set forth in this document. I further understand that any violation of these regulations may result in the loss of some or all-access privileges, school disciplinary action, and/or legal action.

Student's Name (please print)

Student ID

Grade

Student's Signature

Date**Parent or Guardian**

As the parent or guardian of the above student, I have read the Terms and Conditions. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I also recognize that it is impossible for Alma Public Schools to completely restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold the district responsible for supervision if and when my child's use is non-educational. I hereby grant permission to issue an account for my child and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

I understand that the Chromebook, charger, and case are the property of the Alma Public School District. If the equipment has been damaged due to misuse, it will be my responsibility to pay for the appropriate repair or replacement of the equipment. Damage costs will be based on replacement part costs. No labor will be charged. Equipment replacement fines; \$200.00 Chromebook, \$25.00 case, \$25.00 charger.

Parent or Guardian's Name (please print)

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date