Internet Access Use Policy

Hazen School District is now offering Internet access for student use. This document contains the Acceptable Use Policy for your use of the Hazen School District Computer Network. All information (including personal information) placed on a Hazen School District computer or sent over the Hazen School District network (including but not limited to computers or network equipment) may be monitored and/or recorded. By using the school/state network, YOU consent to network and data interception, monitoring, recording, copying, auditing, inspection, and disclosure at the discretion of Hazen Public School District personnel. YOU have no explicit or implicit expectation of privacy. Unauthorized or improper use of the Hazen School District network may result in administrative disciplinary action, civil and/or criminal penalties. By continuing to use the school/state system YOU indicate YOUR awareness of and consent to these terms and conditions of use.

Educational Purpose

The Hazen School District Computer Network system has been established for a limited educational purpose. The term "educational purpose" includes classroom activities, career development, and limited high-quality self-discovery activities.

The Hazen School District Computer Network system has been established as a faculty/student access service. The Hazen School District has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material students access or post through the system. Your image may be placed on the network much like the yearbook. If parents or guardians do not want their child's image on the network, notice in writing must be given to the system administrator or principal. Student's actions in computer classrooms and computer labs may be noted and recorded. You are expected to follow the rules set forth in the Hazen School Handbook, the Acceptable Use Policy, and the laws of Arkansas.

You may not use the Hazen Schools network access for commercial purposes. This means you may not offer, provide, or purchase products or services through the Hazen School network.

You may not use the network for political lobbying, but you may use the system to communicate with elected representatives and to express your opinion on political issues.

Student Internet Access

All students will have access to Internet World Wide Web information resources through the classroom, library, or school computer lab. Internet access is a privilege, not a right, and may be suspended by the Hazen School District.

Students will have e-mail access only under their teacher's direct supervision using a student account.

K-2 students may be provided with individual e-mail accounts under special circumstances, at the request of their teachers and with approval of their parent.

3-12 students will be provided with an restricted student e-mail account. E-mail access is a privilege, not a right, and may be suspended by the Hazen School District. Students in certain classes may be given more privileges/rights in their e-mail accounts.

Students and parents must sign an Account Agreement to be granted an individual e-mail account, and use of the internet. This agreement must be renewed on an annual basis. Parents can withdraw their approval at any time.

Unacceptable uses

The following uses of the Hazen School System Network are considered unacceptable:

Personal Safety

- 1. You will not post personal contact information about yourself or other people. Personal contact information includes your address, telephone numbers, school address, work address, etc.
- 2. You will not agree to meet with anyone you have met online without your parent's approval. Your parent should accompany you to this meeting.
- 3. You will promptly disclose to your teacher or other school employee any message you receive that is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.
- 4. Electronic Act means without limitation a communication or image transmitted by means of an electronic device, including without limitation a telephone, wireless phone or other wireless communications device, computer, or pager that results in the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the school or educational environment.
- 5. Electronic acts of bullying are prohibited whether or not the electronic act originated on school property or with school equipment, if the electronic act is directed specifically at students or school personnel and maliciously intended for the purpose of disrupting school, and has a high likelihood of succeeding in that purpose.

Illegal Activities

- You will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to Hazen Schools Network or to any other computer system through the Hazen School Network or go beyond your authorized access. This includes attempting to log in through another person's account or access another person's files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purpose of "browsing".
- 2. You will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.
- 3. You will not use the Hazen School Network to engage in any other illegal act, such as arranging for a drug sale or the purchase of alcohol, engaging in criminal gang activity, threatening the safety of persons, etc.
- 4. You will not attempt to access sites blocked by Hazen School District.

System Security

- 1. You are responsible for your individual account and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from being able to use your account. Under no conditions should you provide your password to another person.
- You will immediately notify a teacher or the system administrator if you have identified a possible security problem. Do not go looking for security problems, because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.
- 3. You will avoid the inadvertent spread of computer viruses by following the District virus protection procedures.

Inappropriate Language and/or Graphics

- Restrictions against inappropriate language apply to public messages, and material posted on web pages. Any graphics that you access whether pictures, drawings, clipart, models, caricatures, art or any medium that gives an image or likeness that is offensive to others that may see it, whether against regulations and rules set forth here or not, will not be accessed.
- 2. You will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language.

- 3. You will not post information that could cause damage or a danger of disruption.
- 4. You will not engage in personal attacks.
- 5. You will not harass another person. If you are told by a person to stop sending those messages, you must stop.
- 6. You will not knowingly or recklessly post false or defamatory information about a person or organization.

Respect for Privacy

- 1. You will not repost a message that was sent to you privately without permission of the person who sent you the message.
- 2. You will not post private information about another person.

Respecting Resource Limits

- You will use the system for educational and career development activities and limited, high quality, self discovery activities. Chat rooms and/or games are not to be accessed. No online gambling or bidding on auctions will be allowed. No online games will be allowed. No games from home will be allowed. No games will be played on the computer. No social networking sites will be accessed without teacher authorization. No chat sites that have a chat function. Only school authorized e-mail will be accessed.
- 2. You will not download any file of any type to your computer without direct written authorization from the system administrator or teacher. No file sharing programs will be downloaded or used on Hazen School District computers or network.
- 3. You will not post chain letters or engage in "spamming".
- 4. You will check your e-mail and network folder frequently, deleting unwanted materials promptly and stay within your space usage quota.

Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement

You will not plagiarize works that you find on the internet or use unauthorized copyrighted materials. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as your own.

Inappropriate Access to Material

You will not use Hazen Schools Network to access material that is profane or obscene (pornography) or inappropriate, that advocate illegal acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people (hate literature). If you are accessing material that someone that can see your screen finds offensive you must leave the offending site(s).

If you mistakenly access inappropriate information or materials, you should tell your teacher or district employee to protect yourself from claims of intentionally violating this policy.

Your parents should instruct you if there is additional material that they think it would be inappropriate for you to access. The district fully expects that you will follow your parent's instructions in the matter.

Parental Involvement

Student grades are placed in a password protected online gradebook for parents inspection of student grades.

Children's Internet Protection Act and Internet Safety

Pursuant to the Children's Internet Protection Act, Hazen School District employs internet filtering via the M86 web filter appliance to screen internet sites for offensive material. The nature of the internet is global and dynamic. Therefore, users (and parents of minor users) must understand that neither the

Hazen School District nor any staff member controls the content of the information available on systems outside the district network that might be accessed via the internet.

The safety and security of minors when using email, chat rooms and other forms of direct electronic communication will be monitored.

Unauthorized access including hacking and other unlawful activities by minors is prohibited.

Unauthorized disclosure, use and dissemination of personal information regarding minors is prohibited.

Hazen School District will educate students about appropriate online behavior and cyber bullying during computer orientation sessions. Information will also be posted in student computer labs.

Free Speech

Your right to free speech, as set forth in the Hazen Student Handbook, applies also to your communication on the internet. The Hazen School Computer Network is considered a limited forum, similar to the school newspaper and therefore the District may restrict your speech on the basis of a disagreement with opinions you are expressing.

Search and Seizure

You should expect only limited privacy in the contents of your personal files on the District system. The situation similar to the rights you have in the privacy of your locker. Routine maintenance and monitoring of the network may lead to discovery that you have violated this policy, the Hazen Student Handbook, or the law. An individual search will be conducted if there is reasonable suspicion that you have violated any rule or law.