## **Hesperia Unified School District - Student Acceptable Use Policy**

The students and staff in Hesperia Unified School District are encouraged to make innovative and creative use of information technologies in support of education and research. Use of the HUSD network is intended only for educational and curricular objectives. The purpose of this policy is to ensure appropriate, ethical, responsible and legal use of technology within our HUSD community. HUSD teachers and support staff are committed to supporting all students about appropriate use of technology, including the need to protect personal information, online behavior with respect to other individuals, and awareness of and response to cyberbullying. In order to meet this commitment the district reserves the right to monitor student use of technology.

## **Expectations and Rules**

Students should use school and district technology resources in a way that is respectful, honest, and supportive of educational goals. Students are expected to avoid activities that interfere in any way with the learning process. Students must use technology appropriately and in accordance with all laws and district/school rules. The district is aware that the acceptable use policy is not all-inclusive as it is impossible to define every potential student behavior with technology. Hesperia Unified School District will cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in any investigation related to potentially illegal activities conducted through the use of its network or other technologies. Schools may apply disciplinary consequences for technology-related activities conducted on or off-campus if such activity is not in accordance with laws, district/school rules or adversely affects the safety or well-being of students or other members of the community. (EC 48900-48915).

## **Guidelines for Student Use of Technology and the Internet**

- 1. Be courteous and respectful in your messages to others.
- 2. Do not reveal your home address or phone number, or those of other students. Use the school address and phone number only. Students will not electronically send their picture, or anyone else's, without permission.
- 3. Do not post, submit, publish, display or share anything that is threatening, obscene or disruptive.
- 4. Treat others as you would wish to be treated. Do not use offensive or threatening language toward any person. This includes offensive or threatening language on the basis of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or disabilities. Do not send, display, share or access defamatory, abusive, obscene, profane, threatening, harassing, or illegal materials.
- 5. Do not use the network, or other technologies, to engage in or encourage any activity prohibited by law.
- 6. Vandalism, including cyber vandalism, will result in discipline and/or limitation of your privileges.
- 7. Do not use the network, or other technologies, in such a way that you disrupt the use of technologies by others.
- 8. Be courteous and respectful in all online activities. This includes, but is not limited to on and off-campus, email, chat, instant-messaging, texting, gaming, and social media.
- 9. Do not share your password(s) with anyone or use anyone else's password. Use of another individual's password(s) may result in discipline and/or limitation of your privileges. If you become aware of another individual's password, inform that person and a teacher or administrator immediately.
- 10. Use HUSD technology resources only for school-related activities. Do not play games, send messages, or access music/videos at school unless it is part of the curriculum and is authorized by a teacher.
- 11. Plagiarism in any form is not accepted by the staff and students of Hesperia Unified School District and may result in discipline and/or loss of privileges.

- 12. Students will not agree to meet in person anyone they meet online without first checking with their parents/guardians.
- 13. Do not buy anything online or give out credit-card information without parent/guardian permission. Do not use district technology resources for commercial activity or to seek monetary gain.
- 14. Students will not store, transfer, or use software or settings for hacking, eavesdropping, network administration, or network circumvention.
- 15. Do not install non-approved software or operating systems on HUSD technology.

I have discussed these rules with my child. I feel confident that my child understands them and can abide by them. I understand that violations of these rules may result in disciplinary action and/or loss of access. I also understand that the District will not be responsible for damages suffered by anyone resulting from use of, or access to, the District's network or other technologies.