

PLACERVILLE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Year: 2019- 20 Internet Permission/Agreement Form

We are pleased to offer students of the Placerville Union School District access to the Internet and the full Suite of Google Apps.

Access to the Internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and educational programs throughout the world. Families should be warned that some material accessible via the Internet may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people. While our intent is to make Internet access available to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. We believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. But ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, Placerville Union School District supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access.

School Internet Rules

Students are responsible for proper care of technology equipment and for good behavior on school computer networks. The same rules apply for damaged student used technology devices as they are for damaged textbooks. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply. Technology devices and access to the network is provided for students to conduct research. Access to network services is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parent permission is required. Access is a privilege - not a right, Access entails responsibility.

Individual users of the school computer networks are responsible for their behavior and communications over those networks. It is presumed that users will comply with school standards and will honor the agreements they have signed. We endeavor to block inappropriate matter through content filtering software on the Internet. Anyone caught trying to bypass the filtering software in order to access denied sites, may result in cancellation of the privilege of working on school computers.

Network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files to maintain system integrity and insure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on school servers will always be private. Placerville Union School District reserves the right to monitor any files that may be inappropriate.

Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honored. During school, teachers of younger students will guide them toward *appropriate* materials. Outside of school, families bear the same responsibility for such guidance as they exercise with information sources such as television, telephones, movies, radio and other potentially offensive media.

This form is a condensed version of the School Board Policy entitled *Internet Acceptable Use Policy*, which is available at the Placerville Union School District Office.

Videos will be shared for viewing by students. These are for educational purposes only. Sharing of videos, teacher posts or email without the written permission of the teacher and PUSD is prohibited.

The following are not permitted:

- **Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures**
- **Using obscene language**
- **Harassing, insulting or attacking others**
- **Damaging computers, computer systems or computer networks**
- **Violating copyright laws**
- **Using another's password**
- **Trespassing into another's folders, work or files**
- **Intentionally wasting limited resources** Employing
- **the network for commercial purposes**
- **Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.**