## **Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School**

Acceptable Use Contract for Students

Network and Internet access is available to any student of the RCS School District. The School system believes that the Internet is a powerful and important medium for information sharing connecting millions of computers from all over the world. Because of the immense variety of information accessible, RCS must determine guidelines for appropriate content.

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District has taken steps to instruct students on acceptable network use, proper network etiquette, and to restrict access to inappropriate resources or information on the Internet. However, on a global network it is impossible to completely control and monitor student access to data. The primary responsibility for access will rest with the student. We believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet exceed the disadvantages. (Ultimately, parents and guardians are responsible for setting and conveying the standards their children should follow when using networked information sources.)

RCS requires that students having Internet connectivity access will adhere to the following guidelines (summarized from Board Policy 6470):

 ${\rm o}\ I$  will use school computers and network resources for educational purposes only.

- o I will follow all copyright laws.
- o I will not use obscene language, harass, insult or attack others.
- $_{\rm O}$  I will not damage, or do things that might damage computers, computer systems, servers or network systems
- o I will not share private information about myself, other students or staff.
- o I will not load or download any software on District computers without permission from the Technology HelpDesk@rcscsd.org.
- ${}_{\mathrm{o}}$  I will not attempt unauthorized access to computer systems, networks or data.
- $_{\rm O}$  I will not buy, sell or advertise anything on or using the schools network.
- ${\rm o}~I$  will not share my password or allow anyone to use my account.

Each student agrees to comply with the above acceptable uses for District computers and school networks as summarized above and with Board policy 6470 and 6470R rules and conditions governing the use of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's computer and telecommunications resources and services and that they understand that violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

The full Board Policy 6470 and 6470R on Computer Use and Internet Access along with the Acceptable Computer Use and Internet Access Provisions are available at <a href="http://www.rcscsd.org">http://www.rcscsd.org</a>. Refer all questions to the HelpDesk@rcscsd.org.

Student Signature

Parent Signature Date

Printed Name

Grade

Parent Printed Name