



Computer and Internet Use

Computers are used to support learning and enhance instruction. Students will use computers as needed in their regular classrooms. They will also have access to the Internet. All of these computer privileges depend on a student being able to use the technology in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner. A student may not:

- Use the Internet for any illegal purpose;
- Use profane, obscene, impolite, or abusive language;
- Change computer files that do not belong to the user;
- Violate someone else's privacy; or
- Share his or her password with anyone.

Unacceptable use of the Internet will result in immediate revocation of access privileges. A student will not be allowed to access the Internet or email until the student and a parent or guardian has signed the KIPP Jacksonville Schools Policy on Internet Access.

COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

KIPP Jacksonville adheres to the federal requirements and guidelines stipulated under TITLE XVII--CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION ACT. Visit <http://www.ifea.net/cipa.html> to view this document in its entirety.

INTERNET SAFETY

KIPP Jacksonville's policy of Internet safety is enforced and includes measures to block or filter Internet access for both minors and adults to certain visual depictions. These include visual depictions that are: obscene, child pornography, or, with respect to use of computers with Internet access by minors, harmful to minors. An authorized person must be able to disable the blocking or filtering measure during any use by an adult to enable access for bona fide research or other lawful purpose.

KIPP Jacksonville staff will monitor students' use of the Internet, through either direct supervision, or by monitoring Internet use history, to ensure enforcement of the policy.

EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

KIPP Jacksonville's Internet system has a limited educational purpose. Activities that are acceptable include classroom activities, career development, and high-quality personal research. You may not use KIPP Jacksonville's network for entertainment purposes (except for those periods of time designated by a teacher). KIPP Jacksonville has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material you access or post through the system. You are expected to follow the rules set forth in KIPP Jacksonville's disciplinary code and the law in your use of the computer network.

STUDENT INTERNET ACCESS

The World Wide Web is a global database system providing access to information from around the world. Students may have access to Internet Web information resources through their classroom, library, or school computer lab.

UNACCEPTABLE USE

The following uses of the KIPP Jacksonville Network are considered unacceptable:

Personal Safety and Personal Privacy You will not post personal contact information about yourself. Personal contact information includes your address, telephone number, school address, home address, etc. This information may not be provided to an individual, organization, or company, including web sites that solicit personal information. You will not agree to meet with someone you have met online. You will promptly disclose to your teacher or other school employee any message you receive that is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.

Illegal Activities You will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the KIPP Jacksonville network or to any other computer system through the network, or go beyond your authorized access. This includes attempting to logon through another person's account or access another person's files. You will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. You will not use the 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 person, etc.

System Security You are responsible for your individual account and must 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. You will avoid the inadvertent spread of computer viruses by following the virus protection procedures. No software is to be downloaded on the computer systems at any time without the explicit consent of the system administrator.

Inappropriate Language Restrictions against inappropriate language apply to public messages, private messages, and material posted on webpages. You will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language. You will not post information that could cause damage or a danger of disruption to the computer network. You will not engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks. You will not harass another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner that distresses or annoys another person. If you are told by a person to stop sending those messages, you must stop. You will not knowingly or recklessly post false or defamatory information about a person or organization.

Respect for Privacy You will not repost a message that was sent to you privately without permission of the person who sent you the message. You will not post private information, including personal contact information, about another person.

Respecting Resource Limits You will use the system only for educational and career development activities and limited, high-quality, self-discovery activities. You will not download large files to the computer desktop. You will not post chain letters or engage in "spamming". Spamming is sending an annoying or unnecessary message to a large number of people. You will check your e-mail frequently, and delete unwanted messages promptly. You will subscribe only to high quality discussion group mail lists that are relevant to your education or career development.

Plagiarism You will not plagiarize works that you find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were yours.

Copyright You will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when you inappropriately reproduce a work that is protected by a copyright. If a work contains language that specifies appropriate use of that work, you should follow the expressed requirements. If you are unsure whether or not you can use a work, you should request permission from the copyright owner. If you have questions, ask a teacher.

Inappropriate Access to Material You will not access material that is designated for adults only or is profane or obscene (pornography), that advocates illegal or dangerous acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people (hate literature). If you mistakenly access inappropriate information, you should immediately tell your teacher. This will protect you against a claim that you have intentionally violated this Policy. Your parents should instruct you if there is additional material that they think it would be inappropriate for you to access. The school fully expects that you will follow your parent's instructions in this matter.

Cyberbullying You will not torment, threaten, harass, humiliate, embarrass or otherwise target another child, preteen or teen using the Internet, interactive or digital technologies or mobile phones.

Misuse of Computers and Peripherals Students may not bring any computer applications including games to school for any reason. School workstations may not be altered without direct administrative permission. Any vandalism (renaming, trashing, or moving files, illegal copying, etc.), will result in disciplinary action which may include restitution.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Unacceptable use of the Internet or KIPP Jacksonville computer network will result in immediate revocation of access privileges. Any violation of school policy and rules may result in loss of school-provided access to the Internet. Additional disciplinary action may be determined in keeping with existing procedures and practices regarding inappropriate language or behavior. When and where applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved.