

POLICY

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This form is to be completed after reviewing the District Acceptable Use of Computer Technologies, Network Services, and Internet Resources. The completion of this form indicates that you have read the policy and understand same. It also indicates that you agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the policy. This form must be signed by both you and your parent or guardian before you will be permitted access to the district network or computer system.

This agreement summarizes both the acceptable uses and unacceptable uses so that you can discuss them with your parent(s)/guardian(s). You are required to comply with all terms and conditions of the ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY even if not specifically stated on this form.

For purposes of this document, technology means the use of computers and computer peripherals, communications networks, access to databases and libraries of information, the integration of audio, video, multimedia devices and media, and internet access for purposes of teaching, learning and administration.

EXPECTATION OF PRIVACY

In accordance with public law S2057, the "Anti-Big Brother Act", students are hereby notified that any laptop computer, cellular telephone, or other electronic device that is furnished by the school district may record or collect information on the student's activity, or the student's use of the device, if the electronic device is equipped with a camera, global positioning system, or other feature capable of recording or collecting such information. The district shall not use any of the capabilities in a manner that would violate the privacy rights of the student or any individual residing with the student.



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ACCEPTABLE USES

1. I will use district technology for valid educational purposes. Valid educational purposes are defined as having a direct or an indirect relationship to the approved school curriculum and educational program.
2. I will use my own username and password to access and work on the district network. I am responsible for any and all activity initiated with my username and password.
3. I will keep my password confidential. If I feel that my password has been compromised, I will notify my teacher, the media specialist, and/or an administrator immediately.
4. I will log off my user account when work is completed. Failure to log off may result in an unauthorized use of my user account.
5. I will immediately report to a teacher any unintended access to inappropriate material or to an unacceptable internet site. This disclosure may serve as a defense against an allegation that I have intentionally violated this policy.
6. I will immediately report to a teacher any message received via technology that is inappropriate or causes me to feel uncomfortable.

UNACCEPTABLE USES

1. I will not intentionally cause or attempt to cause damage to any school equipment including hardware or software. Repairs for misuse will be charged to the user.
2. I will not install, remove, or exchange any hardware or software component from any district network resource.
3. I will not install, copy, or knowingly infect a computer system with a virus.
4. I will not copy someone else's work nor information from the Internet. Plagiarism will not be tolerated.



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5. I will not delete, rename, move, copy or change any files or their properties, other than those files I have created or to which I am assigned.
6. I will not use software that has not been district approved.
7. I will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the school district network for the purpose of, including but not limited to:
 - a. Attempting to change passwords.
 - b. Attempting to gain access to unauthorized files.
 - c. Damaging other student's work.
 - d. Attempting to install software on a network or stand-alone computer.
 - e. Violating copyright laws by unauthorized copying of software.
8. I will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the student information database either through the district network or outside resources.
9. I will not use the school district network/technology to access, review, upload, download, store, post, or distribute materials that use language or images that advocate violence, pornography or discrimination or that may constitute harassment, intimidation and bullying.
10. I will not use the school district network to transmit or receive abusive, threatening, obscene, profane, inflammatory, or disrespectful language.
11. I will not use the district network to post personal contact information about myself or other people, such as name, address, phone number, age, sex, photos, videos or other personal information.
12. I may not violate the terms of any applicable local, state or federal laws that may apply to any software materials. Any other violation deemed as misuse of technology may be subject to disciplinary action.



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DISCIPLINARY CONSEQUENCES

The following is a list of graduated disciplinary actions. Based on the severity of any violation, disciplinary actions may also include other school and/or police measures. Any incident that involves school equipment in a harassment, intimidation or bullying issue (Policy 5512.01) not limited to but including misuse of technology may include termination of technology privileges and/or legal ramifications. If technology privileges are revoked, students are responsible for completion of technology related assignments.

1. Revoke technology privileges for a designated period of time. Instruct the student in proper technology conduct. A minimum of one hour after school detention will be determined by school administration based on the severity of the technology violation.
2. Revoke technology privileges for a designated period of time. A minimum of a two hour after school detention will be determined by school administration based on the severity of the technology violation. A mandatory parent conference to discuss punitive actions is required prior to reinstating technology privileges and to ensure proper technology conduct.
3. Revoke technology privileges for a designated period of time. Length of an in school suspension will be determined by school administration based on the severity of the technology violation. Following an individualized technology usage lesson, as well as a discussion with the student's parent or guardian, the student's usage privileges will be reinstated for a probationary period of one (1) month.
4. Revoke technology privileges and assign an out of school suspension for a designated period of time. In addition, there will be an automatic referral to the Superintendent of Schools for continued willful disobedience with possible expulsion.



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As a parent/guardian of, _____, I have read and reviewed the terms and conditions for the Mount Olive Township Public Schools Acceptable Use of Computer Technologies, Network Services, and Internet Resources. I have reviewed this information with my child and understand that I am responsible for guiding my child and conveying to him/her appropriate standards for utilizing technology within the school district. I understand that any violation of this policy may result in disciplinary or legal action.

I stipulate the following: (Please initial where appropriate.)

_____ As the parent/guardian of the student named above, I **do not** grant permission for my son or daughter to use any technology/Internet resources in the Mount Olive Township Public Schools.

_____ As the parent/guardian of the student named above, I **do not** grant permission for my son or daughter's photo to appear on any district, school, or teacher website connected with the Mount Olive Township Public Schools.

_____ As the parent/guardian of the student named above, I **do not** grant permission for my son or daughter's schoolwork to be published without identifying name or caption to appear on any district, school, or teacher website connected with the Mount Olive Township Public Schools.

Student's Name (Please Print) _____

Student's School _____ Teacher _____

Parent's Phone # _____

Parent's E-Mail _____

Student's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian's Name (Please Print) _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____


