

Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools Internet/Network Acceptable Use Policy



Just as you follow social codes and behaviors while at Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools, you must follow codes and rules for using our Internet/Network resources. To be allowed access to Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools' Internet/Network resources, you must indicate your understanding of our rules and responsibilities by signing below and returning the form by **September 18, 2021**. After that date you'll lose access to your school accounts and the school's tech resources until this policy is signed. Please note that the Acceptable Use Policy is on-line at www.wwgschools.org under "Resources" and at the bottom of the page under "Useful Forms."

Internet/Network Rules:

1. Students will not use the WWG Internet/Network resources to access, upload, download, store, print, post, receive, or distribute:
 - a. pornographic, obscene, or sexually explicit material;
 - b. obscene, abusive, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, disrespectful, or sexually explicit language;
 - c. information or materials inappropriate to the school setting or that could disrupt the educational process;
 - d. materials that use language or images that advocate violence or discrimination toward others (hate literature) or that may constitute harassment or discrimination.
2. Users will not use the WWG Internet/Network to violate any local, state or federal statute or law.
3. Users will not use the WWG Internet/Network to vandalize, damage, or disable the property of another person or organization, will not attempt to degrade or disrupt network performance, will not tamper with WWG system software, hardware, or wiring, and will not waste supply resources.
4. Users will not use the WWG Internet/Network to gain unauthorized access to information resources or to access another person's materials, information, or files without permission.
5. Users will not use the WWG Internet/Network to post private information about themselves or other persons, not limited to addresses, telephone numbers, identification numbers, account numbers, access codes, passwords, or non-academic photographs unless specifically authorized. Using our network resources to access social networks such as Facebook, and the use of school accounts for personal, non-academic activity is prohibited; users will not repost messages without the specific permission of the person who sent the message.
6. Lab/Laptop Rules: no food or beverage, no music, video, or games unless directly connected to an academic project.

Failure to comply with Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools' Internet/Network Acceptable Use Policy could result in suspension or revocation of network/computer access, school suspension or expulsion, or legal action and prosecution.

A student engaging in unacceptable use of the Internet when off school district premises may also be in violation of this policy. Examples of such violations are, but not limited to, situations where the school district or a school district employee or student is negatively impacted.

Internet Consent and Waiver Form:

By signing the Consent and Waiver form, I and my parent(s) or guardians(s) state that we understand these rights and responsibilities. We understand that Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools does not have control over the information on the Internet and does not filter content on school devices (computers and iPads, for example) that students take home from school. While some websites accessible via the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or potentially offensive, Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools provides prudent barriers and follows federal and state standards for filtering content within the school, and while the district believes that students benefit from access to information and collaborative opportunities the Internet offers, Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools respects each family's right to limit its student's access to our Internet/Network resources.

Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools makes no warranties with respect to Internet/Network access, and it specifically assumes no responsibilities for the content of any advice or information received by a student from a source outside the district, or any costs or charges incurred as a result of seeing or accepting such advice, or any costs, liability, or damages caused by the way the student uses district internet resources.

Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools does not relinquish control over materials stored on district-associated servers. Students must accept limited privacy regarding content stored in student accounts.

By signing below you agree to Westbrook Walnut Grove Schools' Internet/Network policy and will abide by its rules. Please direct any questions or comments to Superintendent Loy Woelber at 507-274-6111 or at lwoelber@wwgschools.org.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

WWG occasionally publishes photos and video of student groups and events on web pages and school social media accounts as part of an effort to communicate with families and the community and promote our school. If you do not want your student's photo/video/name to appear on our local or school social media websites please email Courtney Locke at lockefac@wwgschools.org.

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