

FORT MILL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Fort Mill School District (FMSD) provides students with a variety of technology in an effort to support and enhance the academic, social, and emotional achievement of students in the district. In alignment with the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP*) established by our district, we have created a set of rules and regulations hereby known as the FMSD Responsible Use Plan (RUP). This plan is intended to ensure the safety and privacy of our students, to protect data and our resources, and to safeguard the overall integrity of both the FMSD and its students. We request that parents/guardians and students familiarize themselves with the RUP as outlined below.

*The following rules and procedures apply to all students enrolled in district schools on and off campus.
Access to district internet is for educational purposes only.*

Students must:

1. Respect their own privacy and the privacy of others
 - a. Use only assigned accounts, keep personal information such as name, address, phone number, etc. offline, keep passwords secret
 - b. Have permission to photograph/videotape others and to subsequently save and/or post these images/videos to the Internet
 - c. FMSD cannot assume responsibility for lost or stolen information sent or received via the district's communication resources
 - d. Documents may not include: student phone number, address, full name of self or others (first name only)
2. Respect the integrity, availability, and security of all electronic resources
 - a. Observe all network security practices while also protecting and sharing these resources with other users
 - b. FMSD is not responsible for damages to personal digital technologies or electronic communication devices
 - c. Treat digital technologies with care and report any damages, security risks, or violations to a teacher or administrator
3. Respect the copyrighted/intellectual property of others to assure academic integrity
 - a. Cite all sources appropriately and follow all copyright laws and utilize electronic communication devices properly
4. Respect and practice the principles of community
 - a. Communicate only in ways that are kind, responsible, respectful and lawful
 - b. Use electronic communication devices (including FMSD email) for schoolwork only
 - c. Report threatening or offensive materials to a teacher or administrator
5. Prohibited email usage including all of the following
 - a. Create or transmit any emails containing content reasonably perceived as threatening, obscene, sexual, racist, or discriminating
 - b. Setting up or operating a commercial business
 - c. Email signatures should not include religious statements, political statements, or group affiliations

Students who witness, experience or otherwise learn about a suspected violation should report the matter to a teacher or administrator. FMSD reserves the right to monitor and/or review all uses of the district network, Internet usage, and activity.