



PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (AUP)

Use of Pleasant Valley School District technology is intended to support students' academic success. Students must read and agree to follow the rules below to use PVSD network accounts.

The Pleasant Valley School District, hereinafter referred to as (PVSD), provides technology resources including various devices and internet access to its students for the purpose of advancing the educational mission of PVSD. Students waive any right to privacy or confidentiality to material that was accessed, created, sent or stored using PVSD technology or a PVSD-provided network account. Students may have access to applications, databases and web sites. Students are expected to use technology and the internet ethically and responsibly for school-related purposes only.

In compliance with California legislation, E-Rate and the Children's Internet Protection Act, PVSD addresses the appropriate and ethical use of information technology in the classroom so that students and teachers can distinguish lawful from unlawful uses of copyrighted works, including the following topics: the concept and purpose of both copyright and fair use; distinguishing lawful from unlawful downloading and peer-to-peer file sharing; and avoiding plagiarism and provides for the education of minors about internet safety and appropriate online behavior, including: interacting with other individuals on social networking sites and in chat rooms, cyberbullying awareness and response, and avoiding online predators, and maintaining privacy of personal information.

Students must follow current legal regulations, and the rules set forth in this policy and the student disciplinary code. Board Policies and Administrative Regulations will govern all violations of this policy. For clarification of other related student policies and consequences including suspension or expulsion that may result from misuse, please refer to your student handbook and/or the PVSD website.

As a condition of the right to use PVSD technology services, students (and their parent/guardian) understand and agree with the following:

I will use technology resources responsibly:

- I will use the internet and other technology resources ethically and for academic activities only.
- I will create and store only educationally appropriate materials.
- I will not use PVSD technology for commercial purposes or to offer to provide products or services through PVSD technology.
- I will not use technology resources to violate PVSD policies, federal and/or state laws.
- I will not intentionally search for, access and/or store inappropriate information, including, but not limited to the following: material that is obscene; pornography of any kind; material that depicts, or describes in an offensive way, violence, nudity, sex, death, or bodily functions; material that has been designated as for adults only; material that promotes or advocates illegal activities; material that promotes the use of alcohol or tobacco, illegal substances, school cheating or academic dishonesty, weapons; or material that advocates participation in hate groups hate speech or other potentially dangerous groups, activities or challenges.
- I will not participate in unacceptable behaviors including but not limited to: personal attacks, harassment or bullying another person; creation and transmission of offensive, obscene, or indecent material; creation of defamatory material; plagiarism; infringement of copyright laws, including software, published texts, and student work; political advocacy and/or religious proselytizing; transmission of commercial and/or advertising material; and creation and transmission of material which a recipient might consider disparaging, harassing, and/or abusive based on race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, and/or political beliefs.

I will use technology resources safely:

- I will not share my password with anyone at any time for any reason.
- I will not give out my name, picture, address, or any other personally identifying information online.
- I will only access social networking and collaborative web sites, blogs, or post to internet sites as it relates to educational purposes and assigned classwork.

I will use technology resources respectfully:

- I will not deliberately attempt to harm or destroy data on any system on the network or internet.
- I will not damage equipment or inappropriately alter settings or any other users' files.
- I will not log in through another person's account or access another person's files.
- I will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the PVSD network or to any other system on the PVSD network.
- I will not use technology beyond my authorized access in accordance with this policy and any school site rules.
- I will not circumvent PVSD internet filters (i.e., use proxies).
- I will not install or use scripts, plugins, extensions, virtual machines, VPNs, remote access systems or servers, etc. of any kind without prior authorization from PVSD technology staff.
- I will not use any modified software or operating systems at any time and will not modify my district-issued device or utilize my district-issued account for any unauthorized systems access of any kind.
- I will not disclose names, personal information, or any other private information about other students, including setting up social media accounts that reflect or impersonate my school, its staff members or students.
- I will not use the PVSD network to engage in any unlawful activity or to threaten the safety or well-being of any person.
- I will not use threatening, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory or disrespectful language or hate speech.
- I will neither transmit nor post information that could cause disruption to my school or any other organization.
- I will not access, share or store offensive, obscene, unethical, or inappropriate content in file storage or applications provided by PVSD or utilizing any PVSD-issued account.

I will use technology resources in a manner that respects the intellectual property of others:

- I will respect the rights of copyright owners in my use of materials.
- I will not install, store, or distribute unauthorized copyrighted software or materials.
- I will properly cite sources for material that is not my own.

I will use Artificial Intelligence tools ethically and responsibly under the direction of my teacher or school staff only:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become increasingly common in many areas, including in education. The appropriate use of AI can enhance student learning, provide new and creative ways to support teaching and encourage independent research, curiosity, critical thinking, and problem solving. AI has the potential to serve as a valuable supplemental tool to support and expand on classroom instruction, facilitate personalized learning opportunities, and increase educational and learning opportunities. However, when used inappropriately or unethically, AI can also have a negative impact.

Students at PVSD should only access AI for assistance with assignments, research, or writing when it is done under the guidance and approval of their class teacher or school principal. Using AI for schoolwork without permission may lead to consequences for academic misconduct. Use that is considered inappropriate or unethical may also result in disciplinary action and/or legal action in accordance with the law and Board Policies.

I understand that:

- By accepting these terms and conditions, I waive any right to privacy or confidentiality to material created, sent, accessed, or stored using PVSD technology or a PVSD provided network account at any time, on any device, or in any location.
- PVSD personnel have the right to review any material sent, emailed, accessed, or stored through PVSD technology or a PVSD provided network account at any time or location.
- PVSD adheres to the requirements set forth in the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA); however, no protection measure can be 100% effective at all times. It is the responsibility of the student to use technology in accordance with this AUP. Student supervision while off campus is the parent/guardian's responsibility. Any breaches or ability to access inappropriate content should be reported to the classroom teacher or principal right away so it can be evaluated and appropriate action can be taken.
- My use of the internet may be monitored at any time with or without notice. Monitoring of internet usage can reveal all activities I engage in using the PVSD network at any time or location. All activities may be logged and

monitored when accessing PVSD networks and/or when using any PVSD account on any device.

- PVSD personnel can remove any material that is deemed unlawful, obscene, indecent, harassing, or otherwise objectionable at any time, without notice.
- PVSD does not promise that the functions of the internet service will meet any specific requirements or that the internet service will be error-free or uninterrupted.
- PVSD will not be responsible for any damage I may suffer, including but not limited to loss of data, interruptions of service, or exposure to inappropriate material or people, at any time or location.
- PVSD will not be responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through the system. PVSD accepts no liability relative to information stored and/or retrieved on PVSD-owned technology resources.
- PVSD will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through unauthorized use of the system.
- My parent/guardian can be held financially responsible for any harm resulting from my intentional misuse of the system.
- Although PVSD will make a concerted effort to protect me from adverse consequences resulting from use of PVSD technology resources, I must exercise individual vigilance and responsibility to avoid inappropriate and/or illegal activities.
- Use of any personal devices such as smart phones, smart watches, tablets, gaming systems, etc. must be in accordance with current school rules, district policies, and the student handbook.
- PVSD accepts no liability for student-owned technology resources used on PVSD property, including loss of data, theft, damage caused by others, etc.
- Any violation of this AUP, board policies, school rules or any applicable laws may result in disciplinary action up to and including: revocation of technology access, suspension, expulsion, and/or legal action.
- In the event there is a claim that I have violated this policy or the student disciplinary code in my use of PVSD network, at any time or location, I will be provided with notice and opportunity to be heard in the manner set forth in the student disciplinary code.
- PVSD administrators have the final say on what constitutes a violation of this AUP. Violations include, but are not limited to, all bulleted points in this agreement.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

School: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____