HAPPY VALLEY Est.1954 UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Happy Valley Union School District
Computer/ Technology Acceptable Use Agreement

Happy Valley Union School District (HVUSD) provides technology and access to learning opportunities through telecommunications available to students and staff. PROPER AND ETHICAL USE: Staff and students are expected to understand and to practice ethical use of computer resources.

Conditions and Rules for Use:

1. **Acceptable Use**

The purpose of the District's data and telecommunications system is to facilitate communications in support of education. The use of your account must be consistent with the educational objectives of the District.

- No user may deliberately propagate any harmful program code using District resources. Use of District the laws and regulations of the United States, or the laws and regulations of any resources for illegal activity is grounds for discipline. The District will cooperate with law enforcement authorities to investigate such acts.

- Plagiarism is illegal.

2. **Privilege**

The District has the authority to determine appropriate use and may deny, revoke, or suspend a user account based upon its determination of inappropriate use.

3. **Monitoring**

The District reserves the right to inspect any files stored in private areas of our network in order to assure compliance with policy.

4. **Network Etiquette**

- Users must abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette.
- Be respectful of the equipment
- Use acceptable language
- **Do NOT reveal personal information, including username, password, telephone number, or address to anyone**
- Students may not access **e-mail** on campus

The District maintains software systems to monitor and record Internet usage. Be aware that security systems are capable of recording, for every user, each World Wide Web site visit, each chat, newsgroup or e-mail message, and each file transfer into and out of the network. No user should have any expectation of privacy using District resources. Attempts to bypass or evade the District filter system will be grounds for loss of Internet privileges.

5. **Security**

a) Security on the computer system is a high priority, especially because the system involves many users. Never share your account information, including username and password. Protect your password to ensure system security and your privilege to continue using the system.

b) Do not attempt to log on as a District system administrator. Cancellation of privileges and criminal charges may result from such activity.

c) The District may deny access to anyone identified as a security risk for having a history of problems with other computer systems.

6. **Prohibited Activities & Content**

1. Vandalism and harassment may result in cancellation of user privileges and possible criminal charges.

2. Harassment, or the persistent annoyance of another user or interference with another user's work, includes but is not limited to the sending of unwanted email or other communications.

3. District computer resources may not be used for games research or to play games. Non-academic activities, in general, are prohibited.

4. Giving out personal information about another person, including home address or phone number, is strictly prohibited.

5. Any use of the network for commercial or for-profit purposes is prohibited.

6. Hardware and/or software shall not be destroyed, modified, or abused in anyway.

7. Malicious use of the network to develop programs that harass other users or infiltrate a computer or computing system and/or damage the software components of a computer or computing system is prohibited.

8. Use of the network to access or process pornographic material, inappropriate text files (as determined by the system administrator or building administrator), or files dangerous to the integrity of the local area network is prohibited.

9. The HVUSD network may not be used for downloading entertainment software or other files not related to the mission and objectives of the HVUSD.

10. Use of the network for any unlawful purpose is prohibited.

11. Use of profanity, obscenity, racist terms, or other language that may be offensive to another user is prohibited.

12. Establishing network or Internet connections to live communications, including voice and/or video (relay chat), is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the system administrator.

7. **Controversial Material**

Education, by its nature, is a controversial activity. However, it is against District policy to use district resources for access to inappropriate or offensive material. In an effort to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) the District uses blocking and filtering services, which will make it difficult for students to gain access to inappropriate or offensive sites on the Internet.

8. **Local Area, District, and Internet**

Electronic information services (Local, District-wide, and Internet) are available to students and staff in Happy Valley Union School District. Happy Valley Union School District strongly believes in the educational value of such electronic services and recognizes their potential to support curriculum and to allow staff to efficiently provide educational services. The District goal in providing this service is to promote educational excellence by facilitating research, innovation, communication, and business efficiency. Staff must understand that all the rules of conduct described in the Happy Valley Union School District Technology Plan apply during network use. PROPER AND ETHICAL USE: Staff and students are expected to understand and to practice ethical use of computer resources discipline. The District will cooperate with law enforcement authorities to investigate such acts.

I have read and agree to follow the stipulations of this agreement. _____

Date

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Student's Signature Parent's Signature