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Agreement for Acceptable Use of Technology Resources
Students Grades 3-12

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Building Name *Student Name (Printed)*

This Agreement is entered into on: (Date) _____

This Agreement is between (Student Name) _____
("Student" or "User") and the Northville Public Schools ("District").

The purpose of this Agreement is to grant access to and define acceptable use of the District's technology resources ("Technology Resources"). Technology Resources are any type of instrument, device, machine, equipment, technology, or software that is capable of transmitting, acquiring, or intercepting, any telephone, electronic, data, internet, audio, video, or radio transmissions, signals, telecommunications, or services, and include without limitation (1) internal and external network infrastructure, (2) Internet and network access, (3) computers, (4) servers, (5) storage devices, (6) peripherals, (7) software, and (8) messaging or communication systems.

In exchange for the use of the District's Technology Resources either at school or away from school, you understand and agree to the following:

A. Your use of the District's Technology Resources is a privilege that may be revoked by the District at any time and for any reason.
B. You have no expectation of privacy when using the District's Technology Resources on or off District property. Like all District owned technology, use of portable devices owned by the District will be filtered and logged whether used on or off the District's networks. The District reserves the right to monitor and inspect all use of its Technology Resources, including, without limitation, personal e-mail and voice-mail communications, computer files, data bases, web logs, audit trails, or any other electronic transmissions accessed, distributed, or used through the Technology Resources. The District also reserves the right to remove any material from the Technology Resources that the District, at its sole discretion, chooses to, including, without limitation, any information that the District determines to be unlawful, obscene, pornographic, harassing, intimidating, disruptive, or that otherwise violates this Agreement.
C. District owned technology may not be taken off-site without the permission of administration. The care, appropriate use and return of any devices approved for use off-site is the responsibility of the student to which the device is issued.

D. Bring Your Own Device (BYOD): NPS will permit personal-owned electronic devices on school property and grant access to the NPS guest wireless network. The guest network provides the same protective web filters for inappropriate content as NPS student computers. Those using the guest network are expected to follow the Acceptable Use Policy as well as agree to the guidelines presented on the splash screen each time you sign in to the NPS Guest Wi-Fi network.
    1. NPS provides technology that is appropriate and adequate to support instructional purposes. The use of personal devices by students and staff is optional. Students and staff who do not participate in BYOD will not be penalized. Alternate modes of instructional and academic participation will be available for students.
    2. The school's network filters and monitoring software (if applicable) will be applied to a device's connection to the NPS GUEST WIFI Network. Processing or accessing information on school property related to "hacking", altering, or bypassing network filters and security policies is prohibited.
    3. Students and parents are responsible for ensuring that adequate anti-virus software exists on the BYOD device to help prevent a device on premises that infects the network with a virus, Trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information. NPS Technology Department is authorized to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing technology problems or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
    4. Administration has the discretion to allow, limit, or regulate the use of personal devices at school. Teachers have the discretion to regulate use of such devices during class and on specific projects.
    5. NPS reserves the right to confiscate and examine any device, personal or District owned, when a student is suspected of violating the Student Technology Acceptable Use Policy, Bring Your Own Device Procedure and/or Student Code of Conduct. Students involved in such acts will be disciplined according to the Student Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use Policy. Legal authorities will be contacted if any local, state, and federal laws or FCC policies are violated.
    6. Printing from devices will not be permitted.
    7. Personal devices are expected to be charged prior to school and run on battery power while at school.
    8. NPS will NOT service personal devices, which includes troubleshooting, software or hardware issues. NPS will not provide charging stations, ensure access to power sources, provide surge suppression devices, nor be held responsible for any damages as a result of charging or connection to a power supply.
    9. Devices may not be used under any circumstance in areas such as bathrooms, locker rooms, and other areas designated as restricted by school staff
    10. Devices may not be used to facilitate academic dishonesty such as cheating, sharing answers, capturing images of restricted content, etc.
    11. Devices may not be used to capture images or record video/audio of a person(s) on school property or at school events unless authorized by the administration in compliance with the Directory Information “Opt Out” process.
    12. NPS cannot be held responsible for any possible device charges that might be incurred during use (e.g. texting fees, download costs, roaming fees).
    13. Lost, Stolen, or Damaged Devices: Each user is responsible for his/her own device. Northville Public Schools takes no responsibility for stolen, lost, or damaged devices, including lost or corrupted data.

E. The Technology Resources do not provide you a “public forum.” You may not use the Technology Resources for commercial purposes, private enterprise or to support or oppose political positions or candidates unless expressly authorized in advance by a teacher or administrator as part of a class project or activity. You may, however, use the Technology Resources to contact or communicate with public officials.
F. The District’s Technology Resources are intended for use only by users approved from an account with a completed Acceptable Use Agreement. You are responsible for your account/password and any access to the Technology Resources made using your account/password. Any damage or liability arising from the use of your account/password is your responsibility. Use of your account by someone other than you is prohibited and may be grounds for suspension from the Technology Resources and other disciplinary consequences for both you and the person(s) using your account/password.
G. You may not use the Technology Resources to engage in bullying, which is defined as any written, verbal, or physical act, or any electronic communication, that is intended or that a reasonable person would know is likely to harm one or more pupils either directly or indirectly by doing any of the following:
    1. Substantially interfering with educational opportunities, benefits, or programs of one or more pupils;
    2. Adversely affecting the ability of a pupil to participate in or benefit from the educational programs or activities by placing the pupil in reasonable fear of physical harm or by causing substantial emotional distress;
    3. Having an actual and substantial detrimental effect on a pupil’s physical or mental health; or
    4. Causing substantial disruption in, or substantial interference with, the orderly operation of the school.

    Use of other communication/messaging devices (including devices not owned by the District) to engage in bullying may be grounds for discipline under the District’s Student Code of Conduct.
H. If you misuse the Technology Resources, your access to the Technology Resources may be suspended and you may be subject to other disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion. Misuse includes, but is not limited to:
    1. Accessing or attempting to access material that is “harmful to minors.” Material that is harmful to minors” includes any picture, image, graphic image file, or other visual depiction (1) taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion; (2) depicts, describes, or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals; and (3) taken a whole lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value as to minors.
    2. Accessing or attempting to access material that is unlawful, obscene, pornographic, profane, or vulgar.
    3. Accessing or attempting to access material that is inappropriate for minors. Material that is inappropriate for minors is defined as: material that does not serve an instructional or educational purpose and that includes, but is not limited, to material that:
        - is profane, vulgar, lewd, obscene, offensive, indecent, sexually explicit, or threatening;
        - advocates illegal or dangerous acts;
        - causes disruption to Northville Public Schools, its employees or students;
        - advocates violence; or
        - contains knowingly false, recklessly false, or defamatory information; or

- is in violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

4. Bullying (as defined in paragraph G).
5. Sexting, which includes, without limitation, possessing, sending, or distributing nude, sexually explicit, or sexually suggestive photographs, videos, or other visual depictions of yourself or another person.
6. Vandalism, which includes, without limitation, any malicious or intentional attempt to harm, steal, destroy, or disrupt user data, school material, or school hardware or software.
7. Hacking, which includes, without limitation, gaining or attempting to gain access to, modifying, or obtaining copies of, information belonging to others or information you are not authorized to access.
8. Unauthorized copying or use of licenses or copyrighted software.
9. Plagiarizing, which includes the unauthorized distributing, copying, using, or holding out as your own, material that was written or created by someone else, without permission of, and attribution to, the author/creator.
10. Posting or distributing confidential or inappropriate information, including that which is meant to harass, intimidate, or embarrass others.
11. Allowing someone else to use your account or password or not preventing unauthorized access to Technology Resources when leaving your account accessible or unattended.
12. Using or soliciting the use of, or attempting to use or discover the account information or password of, another user.
13. Attempting to or successfully disabling security features, including technology protection measures required under the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA").
14. Misusing equipment or altering system software without permission.
15. Bypassing or attempting to bypass security settings or filters.
16. Commercial for-profit activities, advertising, political lobbying, or sending mass mailings or spam. However, you may contact a public official to express an opinion on a topic of interest.
17. Using the Technology Resources in any way that violates any federal, state, or local law or rule, or the District's Code of Conduct.

I. You must promptly disclose to your teacher or other school employee any content you view or receive over the Technology Resources that is inappropriate or that makes you feel uncomfortable, harassed, threatened, or bullied, or that contains sexually explicit content. You should not delete such content until instructed to do so by a staff member.
J. It is the policy of the District, as a recipient of certain federal funds, to monitor the online activities of its minor students and provide technology protection measures on its computers with Internet access designed to prevent minors from accessing visual depictions that are (1) obscene, (2) child pornography, or (3) harmful to minors.
K. It is the policy of the District to prohibit its minor students from (1) accessing inappropriate matter on the Internet; (2) engaging in hacking or other unlawful online activities; and (3) accessing materials that are harmful to minors. It is also the policy of the District to educate students about cyberbullying awareness and response and about appropriate online behavior, including disclosing, disseminating, or using personal information and safely and appropriately interacting with other individuals in social networking websites, chat rooms, by e-mail, and other forms of direct electronic communications.
L. The District does not guarantee that measures described in paragraphs H and I will provide any level of safety or security or that they will successfully block all inappropriate material from the District's students. You agree that you will not intentionally engage in any behavior that was intended to be prevented by paragraphs H and I.

M. The District does not warrant or guarantee that its Technology Resources will meet any specific requirement, or that they will be error free or uninterrupted; nor will the District be liable for any damages (including lost data, information, or time) sustained or incurred in connection with the use, operation, or inability to use the Technology Resources.
N. You are responsible for the proper use of the Technology Resources and will be held accountable for any damage to or replacement of the Technology Resources caused by your inappropriate use.

I agree to follow this Agreement and all rules and regulations that may be added from time to time by the District or its Internet Service Provider. I also agree to follow all rules in the District's **Student** Code of Conduct. Any additional rules, regulations, and policies are available in the school building or within the classroom.

Release of Liability - Student
As a condition of using the Technology Resources, I agree to release the District and its board members, agents, and employees, including its Internet Service Provider, from all liability related to my use or inability to use the Technology Resources.

I understand that data I send or receive over the Technology Resources is not private. I consent to having the District monitor and inspect my use of the Technology Resources, including any electronic communications that I send or receive through the Technology Resources.

I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and agree to its terms.

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Student Signature *Date*

Release of Liability – Parent/Guardian

I have read this Agreement and agree that as a condition of my child's use of the Technology Resources, I release the District and its board members, agents, and employees, including its Internet Service Provider, from all liability related to my child's use or inability to use the Technology Resources. I also indemnify the District and its board members, agents, and employees, including its Internet Service Provider, for any fees, expenses, or damages incurred as a result of my child's use, or misuse, of the District's Technology Resources.

I authorize the District to consent to the sharing of information about my child to website operators as necessary to enable my child to participate in any program, course, or assignment requiring such consent under the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act.

I understand that data my child sends or receives over the Technology Resources is not private. I consent to having the District monitor and inspect my child's use of the Technology Resources, including any electronic communications that my child sends or receives through the Technology Resources.

I understand and agree that my child will not be able to use the District's Technology Resources until this Agreement has been signed by both my child and me.

I have read this Agreement and agree to its terms.

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Parent/Guardian Signature *Date*

cc: parent/guardian, student file

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