



# Arizona Charter Academy

*Purpose, Character and Excellence in Education...*

## STUDENT INTERNET POLICY

It is the policy of the Board to mandate and expect that students will use the Internet in a responsible manner. Accordingly, the Board has established a policy and procedures for the use of the Internet along with rules governing the behavior of students who access the Internet. Students who do not comply with the standards of behavior outlined in the student conduct and discipline plan or with the Internet rules below may lose their privilege to use the computer / Internet and/or be subject to other disciplinary action.

### PROCEDURES FOR USE

1. The District will allow every student access to the Internet provided if the Parent/Guardian(s) and student have initialed the Internet/Computer Use Policy of the Student/Parent/Guardian(s) Handbook Acknowledgement page. No student will be allowed to use Internet without this form on file.
2. The District will allow every student access to the Internet provided Parent/Guardian(s) of students do not object, in writing, to a student having such access. If a Parent/Guardian(s) objects, they shall fill out the objection form, sign it, and have it placed on file at the school the student attends.
3. Each year, prior to use, each student shall receive and discuss information from his/her teacher regarding:
  - A. Internet safety and security, including:
    - the importance of understanding what materials are inappropriate to minors
  - B. Responsible use of the Internet, including:
    - abiding by copyright laws
    - understanding that unethical and unlawful activities include unauthorized access to any data or communications equipment without the owner's permission, "hacking," or unauthorized disclosure, use, or dissemination of anyone's personal information
  - C. Measures the District has taken to restrict access to materials harmful to minors, including:
    - implementing Internet filtering
    - requiring adult supervision during student use of the Internet

### INTERNET RULES

1. **Students shall:**

- adhere to same standard of conduct expected and required in a classroom
  - follow rules for applying for password
  - follow rules for using resources, time limits and printing instructions
  - log off the system as soon as finished to provide others with the opportunity to access the system
  - report violations of these rules
- 2. Students shall not: Give or provide personal information to anyone on the internet, create chat rooms or:**
- lend their logins and passwords to anyone else
  - create a computer virus and place it on the network
  - send a message that is inconsistent with the school's code of conduct, written or implied
  - send messages that are inappropriate, obscene, sexist, contain obscenities, racial, ethnic, or gender-based slurs, contain inflammatory or abusive language
  - gamble via the Internet
  - send any message with someone else's name on it
  - read files without the owner's permission
  - interfere with the ability of other users to make effective use of school district computing and network resources
  - give or provide personal information to anyone on the internet
  - create chat rooms or personal profiles for the purpose of distribution on the internet with the use of school computers

### COMPUTER/NETWORK VANDALISM

Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy hardware/software of any type, data of another user, the Internet, or any of the above listed agencies or other networks that are connected to the District Network. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses. Consequences will vary from a minimum of \$25 fee and up.

### SCHOOL INTERNET POLICY ENFORCEMENT

***The Technology Director or appropriate administrator will review alleged violations of District Network Acceptable Use Procedures on a case-by-case basis. Clear violations of procedures, which are not promptly remedied by the user, may result in referral for disciplinary action, minimum fee of \$25, termination of Internet/network services, suspension, and/or expulsion of the user from school.***