

INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY
DAMIANSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

We are pleased to offer students of the Damiansville School District access to the district's computer network for the Internet. To gain access to the Internet, all students must obtain parental permission and must sign and return the permission form found at the end of this document.

Access to the Internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and informational sites throughout the world. Families should be warned that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or potentially offensive to some people. While our intent is to make Internet access available to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. We believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet, in the form of informational resources, exceed any disadvantages.

Although the staff at Damiansville School will be active in the monitoring of Internet use, parents and guardians of minors are ultimately responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and informational sources. Damiansville School supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to allow their student(s) to have Internet access.

RULES FOR USING THE INTERNET

1. An adult supervisor must be present for any student to access the Internet.
2. Students may never reveal their full name, address, or phone number (or anyone else's) in any message.
3. Students must comply with all copyright and transmission laws with respect to materials obtained over the Internet. Students should assume that copyright and trademark laws protect all information.
4. No e-mails may be sent or received through any of the computers (in classrooms or the lab), unless it is done in a supervised class activity.
5. Students are responsible for good behavior on the school computer network just as they are in the classroom. The user agrees to compensate the Damiansville School District for any losses, costs, or damage, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by the District relating to, or arising from any misuse of this privilege.
6. Downloading of any files by the students onto District computers is prohibited. Teachers with prior approval may arrange to download educational materials that they plan to use with their classes.
7. Privacy is important. Deletion, examination, copying, or modification of files and/or data belonging to other users is prohibited. Your password must remain confidential. **DO NOT ALLOW YOUR FRIENDS TO BORROW IT.**
8. If a student should accidentally access inappropriate material, the following steps must be followed:
 - a. The student must IMMEDIATELY back out of that sight.
 - b. The student must immediately notify the adult supervisor, who will take steps to remove the material.

If the student follows these two steps, no computer privileges will be lost.

CONSEQUENCES:

Violation of any of the above guidelines may result in the following consequences, which include, but are not limited to:

1. Loss of Internet access for 2 weeks.
2. Loss of Internet access for the remainder of the quarter/semester.
3. Loss of Internet access for the remainder of the school year.
4. Permanent loss of Internet access.
5. Other appropriate District consequences.

Parents will be notified of any violation and the resulting consequences.

**PLEASE SIGN, DETACH, AND RETURN THE SECTION BELOW.
(EACH CHILD MUST RETURN ONE OF THESE FORMS.)**

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I have read the rules for using the Internet and the consequences that will apply if the rules are broken. I understand what I have read and agree to comply with the rules.

Student's Signature

Grade

I have read and understand the rules for using the Internet and the consequences that will apply if the rules are broken. My son/daughter has permission to use the Internet under adult supervision.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date