

LA HONDA-PESCADERO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENT INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC MAIL RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENT

The computer network is provided for students to conduct research, communicate with others about academic matters and share resources. Access to network service is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parental permission is required for students under 18 years of age.

Access is a privilege – not a right.

Individual users of the district computer networks are responsible for their behavior and communications over those networks. It is understood that users will follow district standards and honor the agreements they have signed. Beyond explaining the standards, the district is not responsible for restricting, monitoring, or controlling the communications of individuals utilizing the network, although it reserves the right to do so.

Computer and network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files and communications to check system integrity and be sure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on district computers are private.

Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honored. Teachers will guide students toward appropriate materials; however, it is the individual student's responsibility to follow the generally accepted rules of network etiquette and adhere to teacher guidance. While rules cannot be stipulated for each and every academic circumstance, the following actions are prohibited on LHPUSD computers and networks.

Prohibited Uses/Actions

Damaging computers, computer systems or computer networks
Using district computers or network for non-academic purposes (e.g. personal, e-mail, game play, surfing)
Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures
Using obscene language
Harassing, insulting or attacking others
Violating copyright laws
Using others' passwords
Trespassing in other's folders, work or files
Intentionally wasting school resources
Employing the network for commercial purposes
"Entering" chat room for any purpose
Downloading any non-text document without specific teacher approval

Sanctions

- Violations may result in a loss of access
- Additional disciplinary action may be determined at the school in line with existing practice regarding inappropriate language or behavior
- When applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved

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**La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District Student and Electronic Mail Contract and Parent
Permission Form**

I agree to the above-stated rules for using the Internet and e-mail.

(Print Student Name)

(Student ID#)

(Student Signature)

(Date)

As the parent or legal guardian of the minor student signing above, I grant permission for the student named to access the Internet. I understand that individuals and families may be held liable for violations, so I have reviewed the rules above with the student. I understand that some materials on the Internet may be objectionable, but there is also material of educational value. I accept responsibility for guiding this student – setting and conveying standards for this student to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring electronic information and media. Permission will remain in effect for one year unless or until I request in writing that it be revoked.

(Parent/Legal Guardian Signature)

(Date)

NOTE:

- STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE ON EMAIL OR ANY CHAT WEBSITES
- STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE ON MUSIC WEBSITES SUCH AS “iTunes”
- STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE ON “NON-ACADEMIC” WEB SITES SUCH AS “MySpace” OR “FACEBOOK”