



SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23 (CENTRAL OKANAGAN)

Student Network Account and Internet Agreement

Complete Guidelines & Further Information

For students and parents, complete Acceptable Use Guidelines are available on the School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) website at <http://www.sd23.bc.ca/> under Parent Information. Print copies of these guidelines are also available from the School Board Office and from your local school. These guidelines explain in detail the terms and conditions of this agreement, expectations of student users, acceptable use, prohibited use, liabilities, privacy and confidentiality and consequences for the violation of network and Internet guidelines. In addition, your school and your teachers will provide you with additional information and appropriate instruction to fully explain the **Acceptable Use** of your computer workstation and school, District and Provincial networks and the Internet.

Educational Purpose

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) and your local school, through computer workstations, school Local Area Networks, the District Wide Area Network, and the Provincial Learning Network provides access for students to network services and to the Internet. The purpose for using the network and the Internet in your school is to support your educational program by providing access to unique learning resources and educational tools. Educational use includes classroom instructional activities, information literacy programs, student career programs, and limited high-quality self-discovery activities and research.

Acceptable Use Guidelines

Network and Internet Acceptable Use Guidelines apply to all District networks within all schools, offices and District departments of School District No. 23 and include computer and network connection to school Local Area Networks, school and District Intranets, Provincial networks, and the Internet or the World Wide Web.

Use of the computer and school and District networks is a privilege, not a right, and we may discipline you and/or take away your right to use school networks and the Internet if you misuse this privilege. You are also expected to follow the rules set forth in your **School Code of Conduct** and Provincial and Federal laws. You are responsible for your own actions while you are using computer workstations on school networks and the Internet and are also accountable for any online activities by others because you have allowed them to use your network account.

Responsible Use

This Network and Internet Agreement requires you, as a student to:

- **Act responsibly** when accessing the school computer networks, District networks and the Internet in your school.
- Not engage in **unacceptable activity** contrary to the acceptable use guidelines of your school and of School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan). Student activity on

school, District and Provincial networks and the Internet is subject to each school's existing Code of Conduct.

- Be aware of the need for **personal safety** and not provide personal contact information about yourself or others in your class or school.
- Use appropriate **network and classroom etiquette** when using the computer and the network.
- Respect the **resource limits** of the computer network and not engage in activities which will jeopardize the integrity of the school, District and Provincial network.
- Understand the need for **system security** and take all reasonable precautions when accessing your network account.

Consequences and Violations

Depending on the severity of the violation, infractions of provisions set forth in this ***Student Network Account and Internet Agreement***, in the detailed guidelines available from your school and the School District and your school **Code of Conduct** may result in suspension of network access privileges and/or other disciplinary action or consequences as determined by your school.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

I have read the ***Student Network Account and Internet Agreement*** and additional information provided to me by my school. If I did not understand the meaning of any part of these guidelines or rules, I asked my teacher or my parents or guardian to explain it to me. I agree to follow these guidelines at all times when I access the school networks, the Internet or use Electronic Mail at school. I understand that if I use school network and Internet services for inappropriate activities, my access privileges may be suspended or removed and/or other disciplinary action or consequences may occur in accordance with the school **Code of Conduct** and School District No. 23 guidelines.

AGREEMENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I acknowledge that my son or daughter understands the rules that he or she is to follow in order to use school, District, and Provincial networks and the Internet. I have read the ***Student Network Account and Internet Agreement*** and I have talked to him or her to make sure that those rules are understood. By signing the attached signature sheet, he or she acknowledges that they understand the agreement. I realize that in the event that my son or daughter engages in any inappropriate activities, that his or her privileges to access school and District networks may be revoked and other disciplinary measures following School District No. 23 guidelines and the School Code of Conduct may result. By signing the attached signature sheet, I give my permission for my son or daughter to use school, District and Provincial networks and the Internet, including Electronic Mail while on school property.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU AND YOUR CHILD MUST SIGN A SIGNATURE SHEET PROVIDED BY THEIR SCHOOL AND RETURN THE SIGNED DOCUMENT TO THE SCHOOL BEFORE YOUR CHILD WILL BE PROVIDED WITH ACCESS TO SCHOOL, DISTRICT AND PROVINCIAL NETWORKS, THE INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC MAIL.



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SIGNATURE SHEET To be Returned to Your School

Student Signature

Student Name (Print) _____ Grade _____

School _____

I have read and understand the **Student Network Account and Internet Agreement**. I agree to follow the guidelines and limitations contained in this Agreement. I understand that if I violate these guidelines and rules, my account can be terminated and school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature

- I have read and understand the **Student Network Account and Internet Agreement**. I understand that access to School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) networks including school, District and Provincial networks and the Internet is designed for **educational purposes** only.
- I hereby release the District, its personnel, and any institutions with which it is affiliated, from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use the District networks.
- I give permission to the District to provide access to school, District and Provincial networks and the Internet and to provide, if required for educational purposes, a network account and network access for my child.

Parent or Guardian's Name (Print) _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____