

## **Cuero Independent School District Acceptable Use Technology Agreement for STUDENTS**

The Cuero Independent School District is pleased to offer students access to a computer network and to the Internet. Access to the Internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, museums, and other repositories of information. Parents should be aware that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, offensive or inappropriate. While the purposes of the school are to use Internet resources for constructive educational goals, students may find ways to access other materials.

We believe that the benefits to students from access to the Internet exceed the disadvantages. The District has a filter in place to prevent access to most inappropriate sites, but the Internet is an evolving entity.

### **RULES OF APPROPRIATE USE:**

Students are responsible for appropriate behavior on the school's computer network just as they are in the classroom. It is expected that students will comply with district standards and the specific rules set forth below.

The use of the network is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked if abused. The student is personally responsible for his/her actions when utilizing the school's computer resources. Despite our best efforts and beyond the limits of filtering technology, your child may run across areas of adult content and some material you might find objectionable.

**PRIVACY** – Network storage areas are the property of the school district. The Network Administrator may review any storage area of the school network to maintain system integrity and to insure that students are using the system responsibly.

**COPYING/DOWNLOADING** - Students are **NOT** permitted to download or install any software, shareware, or freeware onto the school's computers. Students are **NOT** permitted to copy others' work or intrude into others' files.

**INAPPROPRIATE MATERIALS OR LANGUAGE** – Students are **NOT** permitted to transmit, retrieve or store materials that are discriminatory, harassing, obscene, pornographic, or inappropriate. Should students encounter such material by accident, they should report it to their teacher immediately. The use of district online systems for personal gain, political lobbying or any other purpose which is illegal or against district policy or contrary to the district's best interest is **NOT** permitted.

### **GUIDELINES:**

Do not damage the computer or the network in any way.

Do not interfere with the operation of the network or computer systems, by installing software.

Do not violate copyright laws.

Do not view, send or display inappropriate messages or pictures.

Do not waste computer resources. This includes downloading music, printing excessive quantities, playing online games, tampering with computer parts, erasing programs, destroying data, introducing viruses, attempting to gain unauthorized access or modifying network settings without permission.

Do not trespass in others' folders or files.

BE PREPARED to be held accountable for your actions and for the loss of privileges if the **Rules of Appropriate Use** are violated.

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**Parent/Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement and  
Permission for Publication of Student Work/Pictures**

As a parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I have read the Network and Internet Use Policy [CA (LOCAL)] and the Acceptable Use Technology Agreement for Students and understand the conditions for use of the network and Internet resources provided by the Cuero ISD for the purpose of promoting educational excellence and supporting instructional goals.

By my signature below, I consent to my child having access to the Internet through the Cuero ISD network and release the school district from any responsibility for information my child may obtain in the course of using the Internet.

Further I agree that any use of the network and Internet under my child's user ID or account must be consistent with that policy. I understand that district employees have the authority to monitor network usage, including electronic messages sent and received to ensure compliance with the policy, and by this Agreement consent to that access.

I understand that my child is responsible for any transactions that occur under his or her user ID or account, that any violation of that policy will be considered a violation of the Student Code of Conduct, and that my child may be denied access to the district's electronic resources in addition to any other disciplinary action.

I understand that from time to time the school may wish to publish examples of student projects or photographs of students on the School District's website. Only first names will be used when identifying a student in a photograph.

PLEASE CHECK THE FOLLOWING AS DEEMED PERMISSABLE:

\_\_\_\_\_ My child may use the Internet according to the rules outlined.

\_\_\_\_\_ My child may NOT use the Internet.

\_\_\_\_\_ My child's work can be published on the Internet.

\_\_\_\_\_ Photographs of my child may be published on the School District's website with my child identified only by first name.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENT BEFORE THE USE OF ANY TECHNOLOGY IS ALLOWED AT CUERO ISD.

**Student Technology Agreement**

As a user of the School's computer network, I agree to comply with the appropriate use guidelines outlined in the Acceptable Use Technology Agreement for Students.

Student Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_