

KENNEDALE ISD INTERNET
FOR IMAGINATION ZONE PURPOSES ONLY

Acceptable Use Policy

Internet access is available to students and teachers in the Kennedale ISD (KISD). The Internet is a network of networks connecting millions of computer users all over the world. The Internet enables worldwide connection to electronic mail, discussion groups, databases, software, and other information sources, such as libraries and museums. KISD provides Internet access to promote educational excellence in our schools by facilitation resource sharing, innovation, and communication. The valuable information and interaction available on the Internet far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of KISD.

Controlling all materials on the Internet is impossible. Sites accessible via the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or controversial. With global access to computers and people, a risk exists that students may access material that may not be of educational value in a school setting.

Internet users at KISD are responsible for their actions in accessing available resources.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Acceptable Use: Internet access may be used to improve learning and teaching consistent with educational goals of KISD. KISD expects legal, ethical and efficient use of KISD provided Internet access using KISD facilities, software, and equipment.

Privilege: Use of a KISD provided Internet connection is a privilege, not a right.

Voluntary: Use of a KISD provided Internet connection is voluntary, on the part of the student or teacher.

Approval: All use of any Internet Service Provider on KISD equipment and/or in KISD facilities requires prior approval of both the site based manager and the campus principal.

A complete KISD Acceptable Use Procedure Form must be on file in the campus principal's office prior to Internet usage on KISD equipment or facilities by any employee of the Kennedale School District.

Non employees and/or children of non-employees are not authorized to use KISD provided Internet Service Providers and/or KISD equipment and facilities to connect to the Internet.

Students that have received approval from the site based manager and teacher to use KISD provided Internet connection on KISD equipment must have a completed KISD Acceptable Use Form on file at their appropriate campus in a readily accessible location.

Inappropriate Use: Inappropriate use includes, but is not limited to, those uses that violate the law, that are specifically named as violations in this document, that violate the rules of network etiquette or that hamper the integrity or security of networks connected to the Internet.

Violation of law: Transmission of any material in violation of any state or US law is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to copyrighted material; threatening, harassing or obscene material; or material protected by trade secret. Any attempt to break the law through the use of a KISD provided Internet Service Provider and/or KISD equipment and/or KISD facilities may result in litigation against the offender by the proper authorities. If such an event should occur, Kennedale I.S.D. will fully comply with authorities to provide any information necessary for the litigation process.

Commercial Use: Use for commercial, income-generating or “for-profit” activities, product advertisement, or political lobbying is prohibited. Sending unsolicited junk mail, or chain letter, is prohibited.

Vandalism/Mischief: Vandalism and mischief are prohibited. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, the Internet, and/or any networks that are connected to the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, the creation or propagation of computer viruses. Any interference with the work of others, with or without malicious intent, is construed as mischief and is strictly prohibited.

Electronic Mail Violations: Forgery of electronic mail messages is prohibited. Reading, deleting, copying, or modifying the electronic mail of others is prohibited.

File/Data Violations: Deleting, examining, copying, or modifying files and/or data belonging to other users is prohibited.

System Interference/Alteration: Attempts to exceed, evade, or change resource quotas are prohibited. Causing network congestion through mass consumption of system resources is prohibited.

Consequences of agreement violation: Any attempt to violate the provisions of this agreement will result in revocation of the privilege to use the Internet on KISD equipment and/or property, regardless of the success or failure of the attempt. In addition, school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

Final determination: The campus principal will make final determination as to what constitutes inappropriate use.

Denial, revocation, or suspension of use: The campus principal may deny, revoke, or suspend the use of the Internet as required.

Security: If a user identifies or has knowledge of a security problem, the user must notify the campus principal. The security problem should not be shown to other users. Any user identified

as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to KIDF computer privileges.

DISCLAIMER: This agreement applies to stand alone units and units connected to networks. Kennedale ISD makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing and it is not responsible for any damages suffered by users. This includes loss of data resulting from delays, non-delivery, missed delivery, or service interruptions caused by its negligence or user errors or omissions. KISD is not responsible for phone/credit card bills and/or any other charges incurred by users. Use of any information obtained via the Internet connection is at the user's own risk. Kennedale ISD specifically denies responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.

Kennedale ISD Internet Acceptable Use Agreement

I understand and will voluntarily abide by Kennedale ISD’s Internet Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that any violation of the Policy is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit ay violation, my access privilege will be revoked. In addition, school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken. Signature(s) at the end of this document indicate that I/we have read the Kennedale ISD Internet Acceptable Use Policy carefully, understand its significance and voluntarily agree to comply fully with all terms and conditions therein.

Date: _____

User’s Name: _____

User’s Signature: _____

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Kennedale ISD Internet Acceptable Use Policy and the Kennedale ISD Acceptable Use Agreement. I understand that Kennedale ISD provided Internet use is for educational purposes. I recognize that it is impossible for Kennedale ISD to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold Kennedale ISD and/or employees of KISD responsible for materials acquired on the Internet. Further I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child’s use is not in a school setting. I hereby give permission to Kennedale ISD to allow my child to use Kennedale ISD provided Internet service and equipment to access the Internet. I also certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

Date: _____

Print Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ **Employee Signature:** _____

_____ **Date:** _____

Sponsoring Employee

I agree to sponsor the above student and to supervise his or her responsible use of the KISD provided Internet access as defined by the Kennedale ISD Internet Acceptable Use Policy.

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

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The total Kennedale ISD Internet Acceptable Use Policy and the Use Agreement consists of 5 pages.