

**SCHOOL TOWN OF SPEEDWAY
Access to Electronic Information**

The School Town of Speedway is pleased to offer its students and staff access to the Internet and related telecommunications services. The purpose of school-provided Internet access is to facilitate education of students. To remain eligible as users, students' use must be in support of, and consistent with, the educational objectives of the school. Access entails responsibility. Speedway schools will educate its students about appropriate on-line behavior, including interacting with other individuals, and educate students on cyberbullying awareness and how to appropriately respond to cyberbullying.

SPEEDWAY SCHOOL'S RESPONSIBLE USE POLICY

This Acceptable Use Policy outlines the guidelines and behaviors that all users are expected to follow when using school technologies or when using personally-owned devices on the school campus and network, including:

SPEEDWAY SCHOOL'S ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

1. Network access is a privilege, not a right. The use of the network must be consistent with, and directly related to, the educational objectives of the Speedway Schools. A violation of the terms of this Acceptable Use Policy may result in suspension or termination of Internet access privileges (other than directly supervised access during classroom instruction), may also result in other disciplinary action consistent with the disciplinary policies of the Speedway Schools, and may also result in criminal prosecution where applicable. The Speedway Schools will cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in any investigation relating to misuse of the Speedway Schools computer network.
2. Violations of this Acceptable Use Policy include, but are not limited to, the following conduct:
 - a. Cyberbullying, using profane, vulgar, threatening, defamatory, abusive, discriminatory, harassing or otherwise objectionable or criminal language in a public or private message.
 - b. Sending messages or posting information that would likely result in the loss of a recipient's work or system.
 - c. Participating in other types of use which would cause congestion of the network or interfere with the work of others.
 - d. Using the network in a manner that would violate any state or federal law. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening material and

spreading of computer viruses.

- e. Accessing or transmitting materials that are obscene, pornographic, harmful to minors, sexually explicit, or without redeeming educational value.
- f. Accessing any prohibited sites on the Internet.
- g. Revealing the personal information of oneself or another person.
- h. Intentionally seeking information on, obtaining copies of, or modifying files, dates or passwords belonging to other users, or misrepresenting other users in the Internet.
- i. Revealing one's password or other identifying information to anyone else, using anyone else's password, or pretending to be someone else when sending information over the computer network.
- j. Attempting to gain unauthorized access to system programs or computer equipment, including attempts to override, "hack", or to encourage others to override, any firewalls established on the Speedway Schools Network.
- k. Attempting to harm, modify, or destroy data of another user.
- l. Exhibiting any other action whatsoever which would in any way subject the user or the Speedway Schools to any civil or criminal action.
- m. Discussing highly sensitive or confidential school department information in e-mail communications.
- n. Using the Speedway Schools Network to buy, sell, or advertise anything.
- o. Using social networking sites, discussion groups, chat rooms, instant messaging, or other forms of online conversation unless authorized in advance in writing by the teacher and directly tied to a school assignment or classroom project.
- p. Using the Speedway Schools Network for gambling.
- q. Using the Speedway Schools Network for political campaigning purposes, including attempts to influence ballot questions or to promote or oppose a candidate for public office.
- r. Failing to log off the computer network at the conclusion of a work session or at the request of system administrators.
- s. Using the Speedway Schools Network for recreational purposes or activities relating to personal hobbies.

- t. Illegally obtaining software or transferring such software through the Speedway Schools Network.
3. The Speedway Schools assumes no responsibility for:
 - a. any cost, liability, or damages caused by a user's violation of these guidelines.
 - b. any information or materials that are transferred through the Internet.
 - c. a user's dissemination of personal information.
4. Speedway Schools makes no guarantee, implied or otherwise, regarding the reliability of the data connection. The Speedway Schools shall not be liable for any loss or corruption of data resulting while using the network.
5. All messages and information created, sent, or retrieved over the Internet are the property of Speedway Schools. Electronic mail messages and other use of electronic resources by students and staff, including accessing web pages, should not be considered confidential. Copies of all information created, sent or retrieved, including but not limited to websites visited (cache files), are stored on the computer network's back-up files. While the Speedway Schools does not plan to review cache files or back-up files on a regular basis, it reserves the right to access and monitor all messages and files on the computer system, including web pages accessed, as it deems necessary and appropriate in the ordinary course of its business for purposes including, but not limited to, ensuring proper use of resources, investigating allegations of improper use and conducting routine network maintenance. By participating in the school district's computer network, users are indicating their consent to such monitoring and access. Where appropriate, communications including text and images may be disclosed to law enforcement or other third parties without prior consent of the sender or receiver. Speedway Schools will monitor the online activities of minors. In addition, a student's or staff's own device, such as a smartphone or tablet, if such use relates to the school community, may be subject to retrieval and inspection by school officials and, in certain circumstances, disclosure to law enforcement.
6. Speedway Schools will make every reasonable effort to minimize the risk that users will encounter objectionable material in the Internet, in part, by training using blocking or filtering safeguards. However, there is no guarantee that this will not happen. Because of size, many kinds of materials eventually find their way to the network. If a user finds materials that are inappropriate while using the Speedway Schools Technology Network, users shall refrain from downloading this material and shall not identify or share the material. It should be understood that the transfer of certain kinds of materials is illegal and punishable by fine or imprisonment.
7. The Speedway Schools reserves the right to seek restitution from any user for costs incurred by the district, including legal fees, due to such user's inappropriate use of electronic resources.

8. The Speedway Schools administration reserves the right to amend this policy at any time without prior notice

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