

Student Acceptable Use Policy

2023 / 2024



All student (users) use of the Internet shall be consistent with the school's goal of promoting educational excellence by facilitating educational resource sharing, electronic communication, and improving methods for learning and research. This authorization includes examples of rules about network and Internet use. It does not attempt to state all that may be required of users, or prescribed behavior.

The purpose of providing Internet access in the school environment is to provide access to new means to gather information, provide research experience, and to teach responsible use of computers, network, and the Internet. To that end the District reserves the right to limit access to everyone, and to prohibit access to network resources, Internet files, information or sites which certificated employees believe are not appropriate to the educational activity assigned or permitted. The District complies with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)].

Terms and Conditions

1. Acceptable Use

Access to the Internet must be for the purpose of education or research and be consistent with the educational objectives of the school.

2. Privileges

The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges. School personnel responsible for providing networking services and school certificated employees have the right to make all decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated applicable rules, and may deny, revoke, or suspend users access at any time. Such decisions are final.

3. Unacceptable Use

Users are responsible for their actions and activities involving school computers, the network or the Internet. The Board of Education, Administration, and individual teachers may make additional rules at any time regarding student use of computers, network, or the Internet.

Some examples of the unacceptable uses of school computers, the network or the Internet are:

A. Any illegal activity

B. Violation of copyright, intellectual property rights, or unauthorized use of property of others C. Download, installation or use of files without authorization D. Using or downloading a file for a purpose other than that authorized E. Use of district resources for private financial or commercial gain F. Hindering, delaying or obstructing others' use of computers, networks, or the Internet G. Gaining or attempting to gain unauthorized access to resources, including but not limited

to computers, networks, database, and files, or information contained therein H. Invading the privacy of others I. Using or attempting to use another's account or password or other identification J. Posting material authored/created by another without his/her consent K. Posting anonymous messages L. Use for commercial or private advertising. *This includes email announcements made on behalf of

non-school organizations M. Submitting, posting, publishing or displaying material which is defamatory, intentionally

inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive or harassing, or accessing material which is obscene, profane, or sexually oriented N. Use or attempting to use while access privileges are suspended or revoked O. Failure to follow network security rules P. Incurring telephone charges, long-distance charges, per-minute surcharges, and/or

equipment or line costs or other access charges without written permission of the District Q. Attempting or actual use, possession or creation of any computer virus or other software, or physical or electronic device intended to or capable of causing damage to any computer, network or file R. Use of computing facilities knowingly to disrupt the work of another student, faculty

member, school official or any other person or entity S. Use of computing facilities knowingly to disrupt normal operation of any computing

system T. Posting of messages or material under a false name, or corrupting or changing any data

or material of any other person without consent U. Use of computers, network, or the Internet to engage in any theft or fraud

Subject to Change

These rules may be supplemented at any time in the discretion of the District. Any supplementary rules will immediately be upon students.

4. Network Etiquette

The PBL School District believes all students should learn digital citizenship.

While using the Internet users are required to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette.

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These include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

A. Be polite. Do not become abusive in your messages to others. B. Use appropriate language
C. Do not reveal personal information (passwords, personal addresses, phone, etc) D.
Recognize that electronic mail (E-mail) is not private. People who operate the system
have access to all mail E. Consider all communications and information accessible via the
network to be private
property

5. No Warranties

The district makes no warranties of any kinds, whether expressed or implied, regarding the use of computers, the network, the Internet, or the accuracy, correctness, completeness or reliability of any information, files or software.

The district is not responsible for any damages for any of the foregoing, including loss of data, non-deliveries, missed-deliveries, or service interruptions, whether caused by its negligence, user errors or omissions, or other defects.

The district specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through use of the network, or the Internet.

6. Indemnification

By agreeing to use the network and Internet access provided by the District, students, and/or parents/guardians agree to indemnify the District for any losses, costs, or damages related to use.

You also agree to hold PBL CUSD #10 harmless for any damages, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by the District relating to or as a result of any breach of School Rules by the student in using computers, the network, or the Internet.

7. Security

Network security is **of the highest priority**. If a user identifies a security problem failure on the school computers, the network, or the Internet, the user is required to notify the Building Principal or Technology Coordinator.

The following rules apply to network security:

A. Users must not demonstrate any security problem or security defeating technology to any other user

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B. Users must keep accounts and passwords confidential. A user providing an account or a password to another, or using or attempting to use another individual's account or password violates this rule

C. Attempting to log onto or use school computers, the network or the Internet using any other person's accounts, passwords, or identification is a violation of these rules

8. Telephone Charges

The School assumes no responsibility for any unauthorized charges or fees , including telephone charges, long-distance charges, per-minute surcharges, and/or equipment or line costs.

Ordinary Internet and network access and use will incur no such charges.

Any such charges are the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian.

9. Privacy

Users should have no expectation of privacy while using the district's network, Internet or email via a computer, laptop, tablet, phone or any other mobile technology device.

Electronic communication and downloaded material may be monitored or read by School officials

PBL CUSD NO. 10 ACCEPTABLE USE SIGN-OFF FORM 2023 / 2023

STUDENT LAST NAME: _____

Year In School: FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR (please circle)

6th 7th 8th

3rd 4th 5th

STUDENT AGREES:

I have read Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10 Student Acceptable Use Policy. I understand and will abide by the Terms and Conditions. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be suspended, revoked, and/or appropriate disciplinary action taken.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

PARENT PERMISSION:

As a parent or guardian of the above-named student attending Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10, I have read the above document concerning the appropriate use of computers and internet access at Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10. I understand and endorse the agreement that my child is making at Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10, and I understand this agreement will be kept on file at Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE PAXTON-BUCKLEY-LODA ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICE.