

INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

INTERNET USE POLICY ~ Grades K - 12

The goal for the Sheridan School District #5 is to provide all Sheridan School students and faculty with the opportunity to access the wealth of information provided by the Internet. At this time, the district provides limited use for educational purposes. People who operate the system have access to all electronic mail, therefore, E-Mail should not be considered private.

Sheridan High School #5 assumes no control over the content of the Internet. While a small percentage of Internet sites may contain material which might prove offensive to or be inappropriate for some users, we believe the benefits from Internet overshadow the possible contact with non-educationally appropriate material.

To qualify for Internet access, student and parents or guardians must read, sign, and return this Acceptable Use Policy. No student's work will suffer adversely should Internet accessibility be denied. Alternative printed materials will be provided. Internet access will not be granted until this signed policy is on file at the Sheridan High School Office.

Responsibility:

With Internet availability comes the responsibility of the user to access only materials that are considered educational in value in the context of the school setting.

Acceptable Use:

The use of electronic service must be in support of education and research in accordance with the educational goals and objective Sheridan District #5.

Privileges:

The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges. Based upon the District's educational goals and objectives, the system administrator will deem what is inappropriate use. The administration and faculty of Sheridan School may request denial, revocation, or suspension of privileges.

Netiquette: Internet users are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These rules include, but are not limited to the following.

Be polite: Do not write or send abusive messages to others.

Use Appropriate Language: Do not swear, use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language.

Respect: Respect other patrons' time and privacy. Limit your use to 20 minutes, if no one else is waiting, the supervisor may extend this time.

Consequences of Misuse:

In addition to each of the consequences, written notice will be issued to the student with a copy mailed home to the parents or guardian, and a copy filed in the Sheridan High School Office.

1st Offense: Loss of credit for the assignment * Computer access restricted to computer related classes only, for a period of 4 weeks (20 actual school days) * (2) two days detention.

2nd Offense: Loss of credit for the assignment * Computer access restricted to computer related classes only, for the remainder of the school term * (1) one day of Out Of School Suspension.

Parent's Signature

Date

Student's Signature

Date

Grade