

The District's digital resources, including Internet access, are provided for educational purposes in accordance with **Board Policy 605.6 Appropriate Use of District Technology, Network Systems, and Internet Access**. To remain eligible as a user, student uses must be in support of and consistent with the educational objectives of the Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Community School District. Users are encouraged and expected to practice good digital citizenship.

School staff and authorized network administrators monitor the use of information technology resources to help ensure that uses are secure and in conformity with this policy. The District reserves the right to examine, use and disclose any data found on the school's computers, networks, and servers in order to further the health, safety, discipline, or security of any student or other person, or to protect property. The District may also use this information in disciplinary actions, and will furnish evidence of crime to law enforcement.

Adherence to the following policy is necessary for continued access to the District's technological resources.

Students must:

Respect and protect the privacy of others:

- Use only assigned accounts
- Not view, use or copy passwords, data, or networks to which they are not authorized
- Not distribute private information, including passwords, about others or themselves

Respect and protect the integrity, availability, and security of all electronic resources:

- Observe all usage and network security practices, including not circumventing school filtering
- Recognize school devices and networks are primarily for educational purposes (e.g. do not participate in instant messaging/chat rooms or play non-educational games during school hours)
- Report security risks or violations to a teacher or network administrator
- Not destroy or damage data, computers, or other resources that belong to the district or to others

Respect and protect the intellectual property of others:

- Not infringing on copyrights (e.g. do not make illegal copies of music, games, or movies)
- Not plagiarizing

Respect and practice the principles of good digital citizenship:

- Communicate only in ways that are kind and respectful
- Report threatening or discomfoting materials to a teacher
- Not intentionally access, transmit, copy, or create material that violates the school's code of conduct (such as messages that are pornographic, threatening, rude, discriminatory, or meant to bully or harass)
- Not use resources to commit acts that are criminal or violate the district's code of conduct
- Not send spam chain letters or other mass mailings
- Not buy, sell, advertise, or otherwise conduct business, unless approved as a school project

Students who do not comply with this AUP should expect consequences for this behavior. These may include suspension of computer privileges or other action as deemed appropriate under board policy.

Students who use their own equipment to access the District guest network are required to follow this Acceptable Use Policy.