

RIM OF THE WORLD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Technology Use Agreement Acceptable Use Policy for Students

The Rim of the World Unified School District Board of Education recognizes the educational value of using technology and the Internet for communication and information access and encourages the use of such sources to enhance student learning.

The District's Acceptable Use Policy ("AUP") is intended to prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful activities by users online, prevent unauthorized access to sensitive information, and to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA"). As used in this policy, "user" includes anyone using the computers, Internet, email, chat rooms and other forms of direct electronic communications or equipment provided by the District (the "network") regardless of the physical location of the user. The AUP applies even when District provided equipment (laptops, tablets, etc.) is used off of District property, and also includes personal devices accessing District's guest networks.

Users should have no expectation of privacy regarding their use of District property, network, files and/or Internet access, including email. By using the network, users have agreed to this policy.

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The District uses technology protection measures provided by San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools to block or filter, to the extent practicable, access to Internet sites that are deemed *inappropriate or harmful to minors* over the network.

The technology protection measure that blocks or filters Internet access may be modified by designated District or County staff for bona fide educationally related research purposes of an adult.

The District and/or County will monitor students' use of the Internet, either through direct supervision or by monitoring Internet use history and student files, to ensure enforcement of the policy. The District and/or County reserve the right to access, review, copy, and store or delete any electronic communication or files and disclose them to others as it deems necessary.

Filtering technology is not perfect and therefore may in effect both interfere with educational purposes and allow some objectionable material to be viewed. Students are to report any encounters with material that this policy is intended to prevent.

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Student Technology Use Expectations

Students are responsible for appropriate behavior on the Rim of the World Unified School District and the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools' computer network, just as they are in a classroom or on school grounds. Communications on the network/systems are often public in nature. **Students should not assume or expect confidentiality in their use of these systems.** General school rules for behavior and communications apply to all technology use. It is expected that users will comply with district standards and the specific rules set forth below. **The use of technology is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked if abused.** The user is personally responsible for his/her actions in accessing and utilizing the school's technology resources. The students are not allowed to access, keep, or send anything they would not want their parents or teachers to see.

1. When using District technology, students are expected to treat others with respect and be good "cyber citizens." Students shall not access material that is obscene, sexually explicit, disruptive, threatening, harassment, cyberbullying, harmful to minors, or otherwise inappropriate for educational uses. Cyberbullying includes breaking into another person's electronic account and assuming that person's identity in order to damage that person's reputation.
2. Students shall not disclose personal information, such as name, school, address, and telephone number outside of the school network, and will not share personal accounts and passwords, except upon request of the person in charge of the District IT department.
3. Students shall not use school resources to engage in "hacking" or attempts to otherwise compromise system or network security. Nor shall students engage in vandalism or any malicious attempt to harm or destroy District equipment, networks, material or data. Students and their parents may be assessed a fee for willful damage or failure to return District technology resources.
4. Students shall not use the District's electronic information services to encourage the use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco, nor shall they promote unethical practices or any activity prohibited by law or District policy.
5. Students shall not attempt to circumvent the web content filters. Nor shall they download or install any commercial software, shareware, or freeware onto network drives or disks, unless they have permission from the school administrator.
6. Students shall not read, damage, destroy, or interfere with other users' mail, accounts, or files. They shall not attempt to read, delete, copy, modify or forge other users' work.
7. Students shall not use Internet resources for commercial use, personal gain or political purposes.
8. **Students shall use electronic mail and other forms of direct electronic communications only for school-related purposes. These communications are not private.**
9. Students shall notify the teacher immediately, if by accident, they encounter materials that violate the boundaries of appropriate use. **REPORT IT!**
10. Copyrighted material may be posted online only in accordance with applicable copyright laws. Any materials utilized for research projects should be given proper credit as with any other printed source of information.
11. Students must not take other's writings, pictures, or ideas from the Internet and present them as their own. Plagiarism is against school rules. Students found to have committed an act of academic dishonesty are subject to District and school-site discipline rules.
12. Students shall **BE PREPARED** to be held accountable for their actions and for the loss of technology privileges for any violations of District policy.
13. Students may bring personal technology, including computers, smart phones, network access devices, or other electronic signaling devices to school provided that such technology is used for instructional purposes.

Students shall abide by the instructions provided by teachers and other school staff, and by this Agreement, in the use of such personal technologies. Access to the Internet or other District communication systems for personal technology is provided “as is”, and is limited to wireless access points on the school campuses or other access devices away from school. Access to the Internet or other District communication systems for personal technology is not available via hardwire connections and no physical connection points on the campus may be used for any non- school owned equipment. The District assumes no liability for personal technology, nor will the District repair, maintain or troubleshoot problems with personal devices.

A parent or student’s decision to bring a personally owned electronic device to school is entirely voluntary. No warrant or subpoena is required for District officials to obtain or to search a Personally Owned Electronic Device in the possession of a student. Any student who elects to possess or use a personal electronic device on school premises or through the school’s network is deemed to have consented to a warrantless search of that device by school authorities if they have reasonable suspicion of a violation of law or school rules.

- 14.** As stated above, the use of District technology resources is not private; students should not expect that files stored on or transmitted via the District’s resources will be confidential. All digital transmissions are subject to inspection and monitoring by District employees and other officials. Digital storage is District owned or licensed property, and administrators will review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that students are using technology responsibly. Any violation of school policy and rules may result in loss of school-provided access to technology. Additional disciplinary action may be determined in keeping with existing school policies and procedures. When and where applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved.

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE ATTACHED, LAST PAGE OF THIS CONTRACT TO YOUR SCHOOL.

Acceptable Use Policy and Responsible Use Policy User Contract

Parent or Guardian

Students under the age of 18 must also have the signature of a parent/guardian who has read this contract.

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read this [AUP and RUP] contract and understand that access to electronic information resources is designed for educational purposes. I understand that it is impossible for ROWUSD to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold the District responsible for controversial materials my child acquired through the service. I agree to report any misuse of the electronic information resources to my teacher or administrator. Misuse comes in many forms, including any messages sent or received that include/suggest pornography, unethical or illegal solicitation, racism, sexism, inappropriate language, and other issues described above. All the rules of conduct are described in the district **Board Policy and AR 6163.4(a)(b)**. If and when my child uses an electronic information resource apart from a school setting, I understand that I have full responsibility for supervision.

Parent or Guardian Name (please print): _____

Parent or Guardian Email: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Name: _____

School _____

Parent/Guardian Phone # _____