

Uintah School District Internet Acceptable Use Agreement

Dear Parent and Student:

Although the Uintah School District has taken precautions to restrict access to inappropriate materials, it is impossible, on a global network, to control all access. The School District cannot be responsible for supervising or restricting access to inappropriate materials on the network. Families should be aware that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or offensive. In addition, it is possible to purchase certain goods and services via the Internet which could result in unwanted financial obligations for which a student, parent, or guardian could be liable. While the District's intent is to make Internet access available in order to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. Ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using these resources. It is requested and recommended that the parents and students carefully review and discuss the School District Acceptable Use Policy (<http://www.uintah.net/districtpolicies/010/0100600.htm>) prior to signing the application for an account. In particular, students should be cautioned: (a) never to write or share password information; (b) not to reveal personal information about oneself or others, i.e., address, phone number, financial information, social security numbers, etc.; (c) to immediately tell teachers and parents if the student comes across information that makes them feel uncomfortable; (d) never to agree to get together with someone met on-line without first checking with parents and, even if parents agree to the meeting to make sure that the meeting is in a public place with a trusted adult in attendance; (e) never to send to another person a personal picture or anything else without first checking with parents; (f) not to respond to any messages that are mean or in any way make the student feel uncomfortable.

Before any student will be given access to the School District's computer resources, the student must present the User Application Waiver form properly signed by the student, a parent or guardian and a sponsoring teacher which acknowledges that the School District is not responsible for unauthorized or improper access or use of the School District's computer network communications.

If you have any questions concerning this policy or use of School District computer resources by students, please contact your student's school or the District Technology Department at 435.781.3100 Ext 2800.

Acceptable Use

Use of a district computer and/or network, whether on or off school premises, for purposes that are illegal, inappropriate, or obscene or to access materials that are illegal, inappropriate or obscene, or in support of such activities is prohibited. Use of any computer or network on school premises for purposes that are illegal or inappropriate is prohibited.

1. Illegal activities include violation of state, federal or local law.
2. Inappropriate use includes but is not limited to:
3. Use or playing of games, chat lines, and chain letters that are not educationally driven during school or work hours.
4. Using a computer or computer network to harass or threaten individuals or groups.
5. Vandalizing computers, computer systems, or computer networks. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy property of the user, another user or of any other agencies or networks that are connected to the network, or the Internet system. Vandalism also includes, but is not limited to abusive overloading of data on the server, or the uploading, downloading or creation of computer viruses.
6. The unauthorized examination or copying of files or data files belonging to others.
7. Violating copyright law, including using unauthorized copies of software and making, transmitting, receiving, exchanging and/or distributing unauthorized copies of software.
8. Impersonation of another person while sending e-mail messages, using a false or anonymous name, age, gender, or identifier and the unauthorized reading, deleting, copying or modifying of any other person's electronic mail.
9. Gaining or attempting to gain unauthorized access to computer, computer networks or computer files or data. This includes evading or attempting to evade software designed to prevent or monitor inappropriate access to the Internet.
10. Gaining or attempting to gain unauthorized access to a personal account or file of another individual.
11. Unauthorized changing or modifying computer or internet/network settings with regards to individual computer identification.
12. Commercial use, product advertisement, or political activities.
13. Knowingly introducing, accessing, or distributing materials forbidden by the Uintah School District onto Uintah School District computers and/or systems including any indecent, obscene, racist, sexist, pervasively vulgar, defamatory, offensive, or illegal materials promoting harm to self or others. Such obscene activities include, but are not limited to, vulgar language and sexually explicit materials, including nudity and other graphic or textural depictions of sexually explicit activities.
14. Uintah School District shall be the final authority on the use of the network and the issuance of public education user accounts.

STUDENT SECTION

Student Name _____ Grade _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

School _____ District _____

School Address _____ School Phone No. _____

Purpose(s) for which you wish to use Uintah School District/UtahLINK:

I have read the Acceptable Use Policy and Student Guidelines, and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of the use provisions stated in the policy may constitute suspension or revocation of network privileges.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

SPONSORING PARENT or GUARDIAN (Required)

I have read the Acceptable Use Policy and Student Guidelines for Uintah School District/UtahLINK. I understand that administrators of the Uintah School District/UtahLINK's network have taken reasonable precautions to ensure that controversial material is eliminated on Utah's Public Education Network. I hereby give my permission to issue an account for my child and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

Parent's Signature Date

Home Address (street, city, zip) Home Phone No.

SPONSORING TEACHER(S) (Required)

I agree to sponsor the above student and to supervise his/her responsible use of the network as defined by the Acceptable Use Policy and Student Guidelines while in my classes.

Teacher's(s) Signature(s) Date(s)
