Technology Resource Use by Students

For AACPS technology-related resources (including hardware, software and approved mobile devices) that are accessed by minors, and in accordance with the Children’s Internet Protection Act (federal law enacted December 2000), AACPS has implemented technology protection measures to block or filter Internet access to pictures and sites that are inappropriate or harmful to minors. Use of instructional mobile devices that are sanctioned by AACPS are accompanied by parent/student acknowledgment of the review of the Student Handbook.

AACPS is committed to providing safe and quality instructional opportunities for all students. The student is responsible for appropriate behavior while using technology-related resources. Teachers monitor student activities while online for appropriateness and instructional relevance.

Students shall:

- use the provided school network account in an ethical, responsible, and legal manner for school-related tasks only.
- communicate with others using appropriate language in a courteous and respectful manner.
- maintain the privacy of their personal information, such as name, address, phone number, account passwords, social security numbers, and respect the same privacy of others.
- use only their AACPS authorized account and password.
- comply with and respect copyright law, fair use guidelines, as well as intellectual property rights of others.
- use AACPS-approved tools and resources (a signed Acceptable Use Policy form must be on file).

Students shall not:

- attempt to override or bypass security restrictions on computer devices, networks, and/or Internet access.
- use any network account for non-school related activities.
- conduct unauthorized copying of licensed software, download or copy files without permission, or install personal software on computers.
- plagiarize online content.
- create, access or distribute offensive, obscene, bullying, or inflammatory materials on AACPS technology-related resources or tools (including hardware, software, approved mobile devices, and websites, e.g. Edmodo).
- remove or damage hardware components.
- knowingly access unauthorized technology-related hardware and software to tamper with or destroy data.
- connect non-AACPS approved personal computing devices such as laptops or mobile devices to the AACPS network whether wired or wireless.
- use electronic resources for commercial, personal purchasing, or illegal purposes.
- use electronic resources and equipment in any other manner that would violate AACPS Board policies or state or federal laws.
- share user account information or passwords with others.

Directed Internet use

- Requires appropriate adult supervision (i.e., staff members or their adult designees must be present to actively monitor student access to the Internet).
- Internet searches will be conducted using AACPS recommended search engines, online databases, and sites.
- Students may not type in web site addresses (url). (Exception: High School students with active supervision of an adult and in compliance with the above stated conditions.
- Internet use is permitted at all levels and in compliance with above stated conditions.

Penalties

Consequences for violations of the Technology Resource Use Regulation are addressed in the Code of Student Conduct (pages 10, 12 — Computer Misuse), Administrative Regulation JCC RAA.