

East Amwell Township School District
Ringoes, New Jersey 08822
INTERNET AND NETWORK USE AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ AND SIGN. RETURN TO HOMEROOM TEACHER ASAP

Access to communication, collaboration and creative technologies, such as Internet access and e-mail is available to students and teachers in the East Amwell Township School District (EATS). We are pleased to offer this access and believe the internet offers vast, diverse, and unique resources and tools to both students and teachers. Our goal in providing these services to teachers and students is to promote educational excellence in schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication.

To ensure these technologies are used to promote educational goals of our district, EATS has taken the following steps:

Utilize safety software to:

- a) Block access to registered Internet sites which may contain material inappropriate for a school setting, and
- b) Allow district personnel to monitor the district network and Internet usage.

Students Grades Pre-K to 8, are taught how to:

- a. Use proper network etiquette, standards and practices.
- b. Use school devices (such as computers, chromebooks, iPads and tablets) to access the network and internet to enhance learning in the classrooms.
- c. EATS works alongside of parents and guardians in conveying the standards students should follow when using media and information sources.

Internet and Network Use – Terms and Conditions

Users of the East Amwell Township School District technologies are responsible for good behavior on school computer networks and accounts (such as Google Apps for Education and internal network drives) the same as they are in a classroom or in a school hallway; general school rules for behavior and communications apply.

Network storage areas as well as Google Drive will be treated similar to school lockers; network administrators will review files and communications to maintain system integrity and insure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on district servers or Google Apps will always be private.

Students are advised to act as model digital citizens and never access, keep, or send material that they would not want their parents, teachers, or peers to see.

Responsibilities of the User

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

Users will not:

1. Use a device to harm other people or their work.
2. Vandalize equipment or the network in any way. This includes, but is not limited to, uploading, creating and/or transmitting computer viruses or any malicious programs
3. Interfere with the operation of the network by installing illegal or unauthorized software, shareware, or freeware.
4. Access any school network or wifi without permission and approval of the Technology Department and / or Administration.
5. Waste limited resources: storage space, network bandwidth, or printing capacity.
6. Use the network for commercial or political purposes. You may not offer, provide, or purchase products or services through the system, or use it for political lobbying.
7. Violate copyright laws.
8. View, send, or display obscene, threatening, or discriminatory messages or pictures or digital information.
9. Post personal contact information (address, telephone, school or home addresses, social security numbers, etc.) about yourself or other people.
10. Share your password with another person.
11. Access another user's folders, work or trespass any personal files.

Users will:

1. Act as a model Digital Citizen
2. Notify an adult immediately, if by accident, you encounter materials, information, and/or behavior which violate these rules of appropriate use.
3. Abide by all local, state, and federal laws.
4. Be held accountable for their actions, for example, the loss of privileges if the Internet and network terms and conditions are violated.

Penalties to the User:

The use of the Internet is a privilege and not a right. Violations of the provisions stated in this agreement may result in, but are not limited to, the following:

1. A warning notice may be sent home to student and parents.
2. Access privileges may be revoked.
3. School disciplinary action may be taken.
4. Appropriate legal action may be taken.

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Please Sign This Agreement:

Students are to sign to indicate that they have reviewed and will abide by the Internet and Network Use Agreement. Parents are to sign indicating their permission to allow their child accesses to the school's Internet connection and District network and to confirm they are aware their child could access potentially inappropriate material.

This section is to be signed by the STUDENT in Grades 3 to 8:

As a student in the East Amwell School District, I agree to:

1. Use the Internet network in support of education and research, consistent with the educational objectives of the East Amwell School District School District.
2. Use the Internet network only with the permission of the responsible adult.
3. Be considerate of other users on the network and the Internet and use appropriate language for school situations as indicated by the school code of conduct.
4. The district is not responsible for the support, replacement, or repair of any personal technology hardware or software.
5. Not tamper with hardware or software or any device, vandalize data, invoke viruses, and try to gain access to restricted or unauthorized network services, or violate copyright laws.
6. Immediately report any problems or breeches of these responsibilities to the responsible adult.
7. Abide by the Internet and Network Use Agreement terms and conditions of the East Amwell School District, as stated in the attached Internet and Network Use Agreement.

I understand and will abide by the above conditions. I further understand that any violation may result in the loss of access privileges and school disciplinary action.

Student Name: _____ **Date:** _____

This section is to be signed by the PARENTS / GUARDIANS of a student in Grades Pre-K-8:

Parent or Guardian Agreement:

As parent/guardian of this student, I have read the responsibilities, rules, and regulations for the Internet and Network Use Agreement.

I understand that Internet access is designed for educational purposes only. I also recognize that it is impossible to restrict access to all inappropriate materials. I accept full responsibility for my child's compliance with the above conditions and, hereby, give my permission for my child to use the East Amwell School District's network and the Internet.

PARENT / GUARDIAN Name: _____ **Date:** _____