Acceptable Internet Use Policy for Students

Lee County Middle School provides access to the Internet for all students, faculty, and staff. Students must have written permission from at least one of their parents or guardians to access the Internet at school. The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in the cancellation of those privileges and/or disciplinary action by school officials. A student’s activities while using the Internet in this school must be in support of education and research, and be consistent with the educational objectives of the Lee County School System. In addition, a student accessing the Internet from this school site is responsible for all online activities, which take place through the use of the Internet. When using another organization’s networks or computing resources, students must comply with the rules appropriate for that network.

The student agrees that the following actions (which are not all inclusive) constitute unacceptable use of the Internet, whether that use is initiated from school or any other site:

- Using impolite, abusive, or otherwise objectionable language in either public or private
- Chat rooms without teacher supervision
- Placing unlawful information on the Internet
- Using the Internet illegally in ways that violate federal, state, or local laws or statutes
- Using the Internet at school for non-school related activities
- Sending messages that are likely to result in the loss of recipient’s work or system
- Sending a chain letter or pyramid schemes to lists or individuals, and other types of use which would cause congestion of the Internet or otherwise interfere with the work of others
- Using the Internet for commercial purposes
- Using the Internet for political lobbying
- Changing any computer file that does not belong to the user
- Sending or receiving copyrighted materials without permission
- Submitting materials copied from the Internet as one’s own work
- Using the Internet access for sending and receiving pornographic material, inappropriate test files, or files dangerous to the integrity of the network
- Circumventing security measures on school or remote computers or networks
- Attempting to gain access to another’s resources, programs, or data
- Vandalizing, which is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user on the Internet, including the uploading or creation of computer viruses
- Falsifying one’s identity to others while using the Internet

Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Access Agreement

Student’s Agreement: I have read the policy on Acceptable Use of the Internet at Lee County Middle School and I understand fully and agree to abide by the principles and guidelines it contains. In addition, I have to refrain from those actions listed, which are considered unacceptable to the proper use of Internet resources.

________________________________________________________________________
(Student’s signature)                                      (Print name)                                  (Date)

Parent’s Agreement: As a parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Access. I understand that this access is for educational purposes. I also recognize that employee of the school or school system may not be able to restrict access to all controversial materials on the Internet. I will not hold them responsible for materials my son or daughter acquires as a result of the use of the Internet on equipment provided on the school site. I hereby give my permission to Lee County High School to permit my child to access the Internet on equipment provided on the school site.

(Parent/Guardian signature)                                                                            (Date)
Phone number(s): (H)__________________(W)________________(C)________________