

LEBANON BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
6 Maple Street
Lebanon, New Jersey 08833

Consent and Waiver Agreement
Computer Network and Internet Access

The following Agreement must be read and signed by the pupil and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

By signing this Consent and Waiver Agreement, I, _____ (print student's name), and my parent(s) or legal guardian(s) state that we have discussed the rights and responsibilities contained herein and I agree to abide by the restrictions contained in this agreement.

Further, my parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and I are hereby advised that the Board and its employees do not have control over the information on the Internet, although the Board shall attempt to provide prudent and available barriers to objectionable material. Sites accessible by way of the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to certain individuals. The intention of the Board is to make the Internet available for the purpose of furthering its educational goals and objectives. The Board does not guarantee that pupils will not find some means to access materials not linked with those goals and objectives.

Because the school district provides, through connection to the Internet, access to other computer systems around the world, pupils and their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) understand that the Board and system administrators have no control over content. While most of the content available on the Internet is innocuous and much of it a valuable educational resource, some objectionable material exists. The Board will provide pupil access to Internet resources only in supervised environments and has taken steps to lock out objectionable areas to the extent possible, but potential dangers remain. Pupils and their parents/guardians are advised that some systems may contain defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, or otherwise illegal material. The Board and the system administrators do not condone the use of such materials and do not permit usage of such materials in the school environment. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) having accounts on the system should be aware of the existence of such materials and monitor home usage of the school district computer network. Pupils knowingly bringing such materials into the school environment will be disciplined in accordance with Board policies and regulations and such activities may result in termination of such pupils' accounts on the computer network and their independent use of computers.

The Board believes that the benefits to staff and pupils from access to the Internet in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration outweigh the disadvantages of access. Ultimately, the Board recognizes that it is the responsibility of parents(s) and legal guardian(s) to set and convey the standards the pupil should follow over the above school standards. To that end, the Board respects each family's right to determine whether or not to permit the pupil to use computer network and Internet access.

Specific conditions and services on the computer network and the Internet change from time to time and the Board makes no warranties with respect to services and specifically assumes no responsibility for:

1. The content of any information or advice received by a pupil from a source outside of the school district or any costs that are incurred as a result of seeking or accepting such advice;
2. Any costs, liability or damages caused by pupil use of the computer network or the Internet;
3. Any consequences of service interruptions or changes whether or not they were under the control of school district staff; and/or
4. The privacy of electronic mail.

By signing this agreement all signatories agree that the Board shall not be held liable for the use of the computer network and the Internet and that all users will abide by the following terms:

1. Use of the computer network and the Internet shall be for educational purposes;
2. Use of the computer network and the Internet shall not be for illegal purposes of any kind;
3. The computer network and the Internet shall not be used to transmit threatening, obscene or harassing material in any form;
4. Pupils will not disrupt the computer network and the Internet services by any unauthorized personal action;
5. Pupils will not attempt to gain access or access any computer sites or files for which they do not have authorization;
6. Pupils will not copy information in any form to which individuals or organizations hold copyright without specific written permission from those individuals or organizations;
7. Pupils will not engage in game playing on computer networks except when authorized to do so for educational purposes;
8. Pupils will print materials for educational purposes only to authorized printers; and/or
9. Pupils will not engage in other activities that do not advance the educational purposes for which computer networks/computers are provided.

VIOLATIONS

Individuals violating this policy shall be subject to the consequences as indicated in Regulation 2361 and other appropriate discipline, which includes, but is not limited to:

1. Use of Computer Network/Computers only under direct supervision;
2. Suspension of network privileges;
3. Revocation of network privileges;
4. Suspension of computer privileges;
5. Revocation of computer privileges;
6. Suspension from school;
7. Expulsion from school; and/or
8. Legal action and prosecution by the authorities.

It is understood that the system administrators of the computer network and the Internet access may monitor pupil activity on the computer network and Internet and that they may access any files stored by pupils on district computers or at a remote site accessed by district computers. It is further understood that the system administrator or the Superintendent may discontinue the computer network and the Internet access privileges and may discipline any pupil who violates the terms of this agreement.

Pupil's Name: _____ Grade: _____
(Please print.)

Pupil's School: Lebanon Borough School

All parent(s) or legal guardian(s) legally responsible for the pupil must sign this agreement to grant the pupil access to the school district computer networks and the Internet.

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____
(Please print.)

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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(Please print.)

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Anti-Big Brother Act (N.J.S.A.) 18A:36-39 (P.L. 2013, c. 44)

Finally, in accordance with the Anti-Big Brother Act (N.J.S.A.) 18A:36-39 (P.L. 2013, c. 44) please be advised that if the Lebanon Borough School furnishes your child with a laptop computer, cellular telephone, or other electronic device **(for home usage)** it shall be known that the electronic device may record or collect information on your child's activity or your child's use of the device if the electronic device is equipped with a camera, global positioning system, or other feature capable of recording or collecting information on your child's activity or use of the device. Moreover, it should also be known that the Lebanon Borough School shall not use any of the capabilities in a manner that would violate the privacy rights of your child or any individual residing with your child.

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____
(Please print.)

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____