FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 3
Internet Acceptable Use Policy for Students

It is the policy of Florence County School District 3 that all student Internet users read, sign, and agree to the terms of the following Acceptable Use Policy. Please read the following agreement carefully before signing.

Internet access is available to students because we believe the Internet offers vast, diverse, and unique resources that provide opportunities to link with other communities and cultures throughout the world. All users must sign in on a log-in sheet before each use. The log-in sheet should be beside each computer terminal. Internet use is a privilege and inappropriate use will result in the cancellation of Internet privileges.

The Internet also has rich "search" capabilities that will yield sources of information to support research. Unfortunately, the Internet also potentially allows access to material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. Florence County School District 3 has taken precautions to restrict access to controversial materials, and does not condone the use of inappropriate or offensive materials. However, the district cannot be held responsible for such inappropriate use.

The following guidelines for Network Behavior (Netiquette) are provided so that you may be aware of the responsibilities you will have either as a parent or guardian permitting your child to use these resources or as a student who will actually use Florence County School District 3 computers and Internet access.

a.   Be polite. Do not be abusive in messages to others.
b.   Use appropriate language. Do not swear, use vulgarities, or any other inappropriate language.
c.   Do not disrupt, harass, or annoy other users.
d.   Do not reveal your home mailing address or phone number(s) or similar information about other persons.
e.   Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system have access to all mail.
f.   Do not use the network in such a way that would disrupt the use of the network by other users.
g.   All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be the private property of the creator, and appropriate citations should be made when used.
h.   Do not report personal communications without the author's prior consent.
i.   Do not share passwords. This means that the only person to ever use an account is the person to whom it belongs.
j.   All users should remain on the system only as long as necessary to complete their work so that other individuals will have opportunities to access the Internet.
k.   Use of any type of proxy server(s) to circumvent or bypass filtering or firewall is prohibited.

I have read and understand the guidelines and I agree to follow them.

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Student's Name (Please Print)   Date   Student's Signature

I have read and understand the guidelines and _____ I give my child permission to use the Internet _____I do not give my child permission to use the Internet. (Check one)

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Parent/Guardian/s Name (Please Print)   Date   Parent/Guardian's Signature