

**ANIMAS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMPUTER AND INTERNET
ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT**

Please read this document carefully before signing.

Internet access is now available to students and teachers in the Animas Public School District. We are very pleased to bring this access to APS and believe the Internet offers vast, diverse and unique resources to both students and staff. In defining the Internet's resources as an extension of the Library, the American Library Association has both a Library Bill of Rights and a Media Center Bill of Rights that discourage censorship and promote collections of varied views. Our goal in providing this service to teachers and students is to promote educational excellence in schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovation and communication.

The Internet is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers all over the world and millions of individual subscribers. Students and staff have access to:

1. Electronic mail communication with people all over the world.
2. Information and news from NASA as well as the opportunity to correspond with the scientists at NASA and other research institutions.
3. Public domain software and shareware of all types.
4. Discussion groups on a plethora of topics ranging from Chinese culture to the environment to music to politics.
5. Access to many University Library Catalogs, the Library of Congress and ERIC.

With access to computers and people all over the world also comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. On a global network it is impossible to control all materials and an industrious user may discover controversial information. We (APS) firmly believe that the valuable information and interaction available on this worldwide network far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of the district.

Internet access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies, and regional and state networks. In addition, the smooth operation of the network relies upon the proper conduct of the end users who must adhere to strict guidelines. These guidelines are provided here so that users are aware of the responsibilities you are about to acquire. In general, this requires efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the network resources. If an APS user violates any of these provisions, his or her access will be terminated. The signature(s) at the end of this document indicates the party (parties) who signed has (have) read the terms and conditions carefully and understand(s) their significance.

Computer and Internet Terms and Conditions

1. *Acceptable Use* - The purpose of NSFNET (National Science Foundation Network) which is the backbone network to the Internet, is to support research and education in and among academic institutions in the U.S. by providing access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work. The use of school computers must support education and research and be consistent with the educational objectives of APS. Use of other organization's network or computing resources must comply with the rules appropriate for that network. Transmission of any material in violation of any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret. Use of commercial activities is generally not acceptable.

2. *Network Etiquette* - Users are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include (but are not limited to) the following:
 - A. Be polite. Do not get abusive in your message to others.
 - b. Use appropriate language. Do not swear, use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language. Illegal activities are strictly forbidden.
 - c. Do not reveal your personal address or phone numbers of students or colleagues.
 - d. Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system do have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.
 - e. Do not use the network in such a way that you would disrupt the use of the network by other users.
 - f. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.
 - g. Hate mail, harassment, discriminatory remarks and other antisocial behaviors are prohibited on the network. Therefore, any messages should not contain profanity, obscene comments, sexually explicit material, or expressions of bigotry or hate.
 - h. Subscriptions to Listservs must be reported to a system administrator. Prior approval for Listservs is required for students.
 - i. Mail Listservs must be monitored daily and deleted from the personal mail directory to avoid excessive use of file server hard-disk space.
 - j. From time to time, Animas Public School District system administrators will make determinations on whether specific uses of the network are consistent with the acceptable use practice.
3. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at your own risk. APS specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.
4. *Security* - Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. If you feel you can identify a security problem on the Internet, you must notify a system administrator. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Users shall not intentionally seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, other data, or passwords belonging to other users, or misrepresent other users on the network. Attempts to gain unauthorized access to system programs or computer equipment will result in cancellation of user privileges. Downloading of information onto the hard drive is prohibited. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to school computers.
5. *Vandalism* - Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm, modify, or destroy computer hardware, data of another user, Internet, or any of the other networks that are connected to the NSFNET Internet backbone. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.
 1. *Inappropriate Use* - The system administrators will deem what is inappropriate use and their decision is final. Also, the system administrators may close an e-mail account at any time. The administration, faculty, and staff of APS may request the system administrator deny, revoke, or suspend computer use.

Pesticide Statement

Animas Public Schools maintenance personnel apply pesticides to areas with insect infestation, as the situation requires. Parents may desire to be notified of this procedure prior to application. If you would like to have prior notification, please call the appropriate school building secretary by the last Thursday in August.

**ANIMAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT**

Student

I understand and will abide by the above Acceptable Use Agreement. I further understand that any violation of the regulations above is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked, school disciplinary action may be taken, and/or appropriate legal action.

User (Student) Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Acceptable Use Agreement. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I recognize it is impossible for APS to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired on the network. Further, I accept responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use of downloaded material is not in a school setting. I hereby give permission to issue an account for my child.

Parent or Guardian's Name (please print)

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

**Animas PK-4
Website Permission Form**

I hereby give my consent to Animas Schools the use and reproduction of any and all printed material, which may use my child's name and/or photograph(s) in any part of the website.

I have read this document and am fully aware of the content and implications, legal and otherwise.

Student Name

Student Signature

Parent Signature

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORMS**

I hereby acknowledge that I have received, read and understand the Animas PK-4 Student Handbook.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM
Animas PK-4 School

Student _____ Date of Birth _____

My child is allergic to the following medication:

My child is taking the following medication:

Please list any additional comments about your child's health:

Please list the name of your physician in case of illness or injury and you cannot be reached.

Name of Physician: _____ Telephone _____

Physician Address: _____

We give permission to have the sponsor in charge arrange for medical treatment for our son/daughter if injury or illness occurs while on a school-sponsored trip. We give our permission to have our son/daughter treated at the nearest medical facility. We also release Animas Schools and sponsors from personal obligation concerning the illness or injury.

Please list the names of two relatives or friends who will assume the responsibility of your child in case of illness or accident until you can be reached. Please notify the school in writing of any changes to these emergency contacts.

1. NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

2. NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

PHONE

BUS REGISTRATION FORM (A copy of this form will be given to the bus driver.)

In order to ride the School Bus a Bus Registration Form must be completed for your child/children by the end of the first week of school.

I, _____, being the parent or guardian of _____ have read and understand the regulations set forth in the Student Handbook for Students and Parents.

I further understand the following:

- Student transportation is a privilege extended to my child/children and not a right. Should my son/daughter have his/her bus riding privileges suspended, it is my responsibility to provide transportation to-and-from school.
- I understand that I am responsible for my child/children at the bus stop.
- I understand that the School Bus Driver is not expected to wait for my child/children unless a timely effort to reach the bus stop is observed by the Bus Driver.

Signed

Date

Failure to return this form could result in suspension of bus privileges.

Information:

Home phone: _____

Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Emergency phone: _____

Address _____

Allergies/Medical Conditions _____

Other: _____

Information requested will be kept confidential & will only be used to help provide safe transportation for your child.