Amendment

Effective 1/1/08

Winona R-III School District Acceptable Use Policy for computers

To read the entire policy and list of unacceptable uses, please ask your building administrator or superintendent for a copy or log onto the school website.

Examples of unacceptable uses include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Plagiarizing any information gained on or through the use of the District Network or any other access provider.
2. Intentionally spreading viruses, spyware, or hacking programs.
3. Sharing log in names, passwords or other unauthorized information.
4. Downloading unauthorized games, programs, files, electronic media, and/or stand-alone applications from the Internet.
5. Bypassing (or instructing other on how to bypass) Internet filtering systems of the District. Use of proxy sites such as clubsurfer.com is strictly prohibited.

Any misuse will result in the following actions by building principals:

1st offense: 3 swats or 3 days in Transition room and parent conference with principal
2nd offense: 5 days in Transition room and parent conference with Winona Board of Education
3rd offense: 5-10 day out of school suspension

** Note: If a student was subject to their first offense from the previous AUP, then the second offense from this amended AUP is applicable. If the student was subject to their second offense from the previous AUP, then the third offense from this amended AUP is applicable.

Pursuant to the Children's Internet Protection Act, Winona R-III School District uses filtering software to screen Internet sites for offensive material. Users are cautioned that many of these pages contain offensive, sexually explicit, and inappropriate material, including, but not limited to the following categories: Adult Content; Nudity; Sex, Gambling; Violence; Weapons; Hacking; Personals/Dating; Lingerie/Swimsuit; Racism/Hate; Tasteless and Illegal/Questionable. In general it is difficult to avoid at least some contact with this material while using the Internet. Even innocuous search requests may lead to sites with highly offensive content. Additionally, having an E-mail address on the Internet may lead to receipt of unsolicited E-mail containing offensive content. Student authorized users accessing the Internet do so at their own risk. No filtering software is one hundred percent effective and it is possible that the software could fail. In the event that the filtering software is unsuccessful and children and staff gain access to inappropriate and/or harmful material, the Board of Education and all faculty and staff will not be liable.

Only users who are authorized to access the computer systems of Winona R-III School District may do so.