

SARCOXIE R-II ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

The Sarcoxie R-II School District offers computer and Internet access for student use. All students and teachers at both the Sarcoxie Middle / Senior High School and Wildwood Elementary School will have access to Internet World Wide Web information resources, which are available in various classrooms and in the library media centers.

This document contains the Acceptable Use Policy for the Sarcoxie R-II School District's use of the district's computer and Internet system, hereafter referred to as the district's "Computer System."

A. Educational Purpose

1. The district's Computer System has been established for a limited educational purpose. The term "educational purpose" includes classroom activities, career development, and limited high-quality self-discovery activities.

2. The district's Computer System has not been established as a public access service or a public forum. The Sarcoxie R-II School District has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material you access.

3. You may not use the district's Computer System for commercial purposes. This means you may not offer, provide, or purchase products or services through the Computer System.

B. Unacceptable Uses

1. You will not post personal contact information about yourself or other people. Personal contact information includes your address, telephone, school address, work address, etc.

2. You will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the district's Computer System or to any other computer system through the district's system or go beyond your authorized access. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of "browsing."

3. You will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the Computer System or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.

4. You will not download files from the Internet without the permission of the room supervisor (teacher or librarian).

5. You will not load any programs and/or materials on to any computer without prior approval of the room supervisor (teacher or librarian).

6. You will not plagiarize works that you find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writing of others and presenting them as if they were yours.

7. You will not use the district's Computer System to access material that is profane or obscene, that advocates illegal acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people (hate literature). If you mistakenly access inappropriate information, you should immediately tell the room supervisor (teacher or librarian). This will protect you against a claim that you have intentionally violated this policy.

C. Limitation of Liability

The district makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by or through the district's Computer System will be error-free or without defect. The district will not be responsible for any damage you may suffer, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions of service. The district is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the Computer System. The district will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the Computer System.

COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

Sarcoxie R-II School District

Student Section

Student Name _____ Grade _____

I have read the district's Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that if I violate the rules, my computer and/or Internet privileges will be terminated, and that I may face other disciplinary measures.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Section

I have read the district's Acceptable Use Policy and give permission for my child to have computer and Internet access through the district's Computer System.

I hereby release the district, its personnel, and any institutions with which it is affiliated, from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use, the district's Computer System, including, but not limited to claims that may arise from the unauthorized use of the system to purchase products or services.

I will instruct my child regarding any restrictions against accessing material that are in addition to the restrictions set forth in the district's Acceptable Use Policy. I will emphasize to my child the importance of following the rules for personal safety.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Name _____