

INTERNET USE POLICY

The Glendive School District recognizes internet access as a vital part in the education of its students. Students are responsible for good behavior on the district computer networks just as they are in a classroom or a school hallway. Communications on the internet are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply. The network is provided for students to conduct research and communicate with others as it relates to their education and class work. Independent access to network services is provided to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parental permission is required for minors. Access is a privilege, not a right. Individual users of the district computer networks are responsible for their behavior and communications over those networks. It is presumed that users will comply with district standards and will honor the agreement they have signed. Network storage areas will be treated like school lockers. Network administrator may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly without the consent of the user. Users should not expect that files stored on district servers will always be private. During school, teachers will guide students towards appropriate materials that are relevant to the classroom and the instruction that is taking place. Outside of school, families bear the responsibility for such guidance as they must also exercise with information sources such as television, telephone, movies, radio and other potentially offensive media. Activities not permitted on school district networks include, but are also not limited to the following below:

1. Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures
2. Using obscene language
3. Harassing, insulting or attacking others
4. Damaging computers, computer systems, or computer networks
5. Violation of copyright or trademark laws
6. Using passwords other than your own
7. Trespassing on folders and files other than your own
8. Employing the network for commercial purposes
9. Accessing inappropriate sites and downloading inappropriate materials
10. Intentionally wasting limited resources

Failure to use district networks in an appropriate manner will be considered an act of insubordination and will be subject to school disciplinary code. Violations may result in loss of privileges, suspension, or a hearing before the board of trustees. When applicable, appropriate law enforcement agencies will be involved.

PERMISSION TO PUBLISH

Your student may have the opportunity to publish documents and projects on the internet. These documents may include a personal home page, as well as any other personal work created by the student. **We will publish these documents only with written permission.** Published documents ***will not*** include the following information:

1. Any personal information related to a physical address or location of students, family members or phone numbers.
2. Given time other than attendance at a particular school or participation in school activities.

Documents will conform to Glendive School District policies and established school guidelines. All documents will be edited and approved by a referring teacher and school principal before publication. If there is specific information you wish to remain unpublished please circle or list below:

First Name **Last Name** **Photograph** **Return email address** **Other**_____

The use of school and district networks must be in support of education, research and the educational goals and objectives of the Glendive School District. Students are personally responsible for this provision at all times when using the district network and internet.

I have read the internet use policy and agree to use Glendive School District networks appropriately as stated.

Student Signature_____ **Date**_____

I have read the internet use policy and approve of my child's use of Glendive School District networks as stated. I also allow the Glendive School District to publish my student's work as described above.

Parent Signature_____ **Date**_____