

## **Dayton School Department Computer/Network Acceptable Use Policy**

The Dayton School Board, hereinafter referred to as the “Board”, believes that the use of the Internet in instructional programs is an education tool which facilitates communication, innovation, resource sharing and access to information. Due to the complex nature of accessible networks and the magnitude of potential information available to students utilizing the Internet, the Board believes comprehensive guidelines in the form of administrative procedures are warranted in order to serve the educational needs of students.\*

Students utilizing the Internet shall comply with the Dayton School Department administrative procedures regarding Internet use. The Board, via its technology coordinator, superintendent, principals and their designee, reserves the right to monitor all computer and Internet activity by students. Privacy is not guaranteed.

In addition, use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right. Students violating the Board’s policy/administrative procedure shall be subject to revocation of privileges and potential disciplinary and/or appropriate legal action.

The Dayton School Department makes no assurances of any kind, whether expressed or implied, regarding any Internet services provided. The school unit will not be responsible for any damages the student/user suffers. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the student’s own risk. The school unit specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information or software obtained through its services.

In order for a student to gain access to the Internet, the student and student’s parent(s)/guardian(s) must sign an Internet Access Agreement.

The Superintendent is authorized to amend or revise the following Board-approved initial administrative procedures as he/she deems necessary and appropriate consistent with this policy. The Superintendent is further authorized to amend or revise the Internet Network Access Agreement with the advice of Board counsel.

\* Caveat: The global and fluid nature of the Internet network’s contents make it extremely difficult for the Board to completely regulate and monitor the information received or sent by students. As such, the Board cannot assure parents that students will be prevented from accessing undesirable materials or sending or receiving objectionable communications.

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