

# STUDENTS' INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

(\*A separate copy of this agreement will be sent home with each student at the beginning of each school year and must be signed and returned prior to them using the Internet at school.)

The Internet is a vast, global network linking computers across the world. As such, it also places a responsibility on all users of the network. The Tantasqua Regional School District users will abide by the following policy. All users should be aware of the public nature of information; privacy cannot be assumed.

All consequences for improper use of the Internet shall be administered by the building principal or his or her designee. The School District will not be liable for the actions of anyone connecting to the Internet through this link. All users shall assume full liability, legal, financial or otherwise, for their actions.

As a condition of a user's right to access to the Internet at school, a student must agree to use the Internet as described below.

1. I shall use the Internet connection for educational purposes with the permission of a staff member.
2. I understand that the school is not responsible for information acquired over the Internet.
3. I shall conduct myself in a respectful, ethical and legal manner while using the Internet.
4. I shall not attempt to examine or acquire inappropriate language or graphics. If I should find materials inappropriate for a school setting, I shall leave that site immediately and shall not download, copy or share this material with others.
5. ***If I am under 18 years of age I shall not use chat rooms, email, instant messaging or other forms of direct communication without the direct supervision of a supervising staff member. If I am 18 years of age or older, I shall not use direct communication without permission from a supervising staff member.***
6. I shall refrain from any financial transactions while using the Internet.
7. I shall protect others and myself by not issuing any names, addresses, telephone numbers, photographic images or other personal identifying information.
8. I shall not alter or damage any system, software, or hardware, nor shall I disrupt the operation of the network.
9. ***I shall not engage in "hacking" or other unlawful activities on the Internet.***
10. I shall honor all copyright laws and licensing agreements.
11. I shall report any problems or breaches of these responsibilities to the supervising staff member.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature \*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please check all that apply.

\_\_\_\_ I give permission to release a project for use on the school website provided that only the first name and last initial of ***my child*** is used.

\_\_\_\_ I give permission to release a photograph/video of my child for use on the school website provided that my child's name is not used.

\_\_\_\_ ***Student is 18 years of age as of*** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***\* Parent's signature not required if student has reached the age of 18***