

**MAYVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
INTERNET SAFETY AND ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY**

**363 Policy**

The School District of Mayville strongly believes that technology systems, networks, and the internet are a tremendous source of information, with countless opportunities for growth by students and staff in the District. With this understanding, the Mayville School District supports district-wide access to such technology systems in an effort to improve student learning, increase critical thinking, and develop life-long learning skills which are essential to life and work in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This policy and accompanying acceptable use rules apply to all users of technology in the School District of Mayville.

The Board of Education is pleased to offer students, staff, and community members access to the District network/internet. The advantages afforded by the rich, digital resources available today outweigh any disadvantage. However, it is important to remember that access is a privilege, not a right, and carries with it responsibilities for all involved.

Users of District information technology and communication resources are ultimately responsible for their actions in accessing network services and for adhering to the District's acceptable use rules. All network users, including students, staff and community members, shall sign an acceptable use agreement. The signed agreement shall be on file in the appropriate building before the user may have direct access to District technology networks, including the Internet and electronic mail (e-mail.)

In accordance with requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), all computer equipment connecting to the Internet from any connection located within the District's buildings shall be filtered. The professional educator or paraprofessional in charge shall be responsible for monitoring the computer activities of minors in library media centers, computer labs and other rooms where computers are connected to the Internet to restrict minors' access to obscenity, child pornography and materials deemed harmful to minors. The District's instructional materials standards and criteria outlined in Board policy and established guidelines shall continue to be followed in the selection and use of instructional/library resources for students. The District acknowledges that even with a filtering system and adult monitoring, it is impossible to control access to all objectionable material on the Internet. Some users may still discover educationally unsuitable information or have access to materials that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially objectionable to some people. Nevertheless, the District believes that the educationally appropriate information and interaction available on the Internet should be available as a resource for students, staff and community members. The District will provide for the education of minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response.

All users should be aware that the School District of Mayville retains ownership and possessory control of all District technology networks, equipment and resources and that there should be no expectation of privacy regarding the use of such District technology. System operators will have access to all user accounts. The District retains the right to access and monitor all e-mail, files, disks, personal drives, school equipment and other District technology resources (whether owned by the user or the district) for the purpose of ensuring compliance with Board policy and the acceptable use rules. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities will be reported to the proper authorities.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.001 Wisconsin Statutes  
120.13(1)  
121.02(1)(h)  
943.70  
947.0125

Federal Copyright Law [17 U.S.C.]  
Children's Internet Protection Act  
Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act  
Children's Online Privacy Act  
Technology Education and Copyright Harmonization Act (TEACH Act)

CROSS REF.: 363-Rule Technology Acceptable Use Rules  
363-Exhibit (1) Student Acceptable Use Agreement  
363-Exhibit (2) Acceptable Use Agreement for Staff, Substitute Staff  
and Community  
110 School District Mission  
310 Instructional Program Goals  
361.2 Selection of Library Materials  
361.2-Rule Procedures for Selecting, Re-Evaluating/Weeding and  
Disposing of Library Materials  
361.3 Complaints about Instructional/Library Materials  
363.2 Assistive Technology for Students with Special Needs  
443 Student Conduct  
447.3 Student Suspensions/Expulsions  
512 Sexual Harassment  
771.1 Use of Copyrighted Material  
Current Employee Agreements

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Signatures of School Board Members:

  
  


  
  
  
