

Corbett School District 39

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Electronic Communications System

Definitions

1. “Technology protection measure,” as defined by the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA), means a specific technology that blocks or filters Internet access to visual depictions that are:
 - a. “Obscene,” has the meaning given such term in Section 1460 of Title 18, United States Code;
 - b. “Child pornography,” has the meaning given such term in Section 2256 of Title 18, United States Code; or
 - c. Harmful to minors.
2. “Harmful to minors,” as defined by CIPA, means any picture, image, graphic image file or other visual depiction that:
 - a. Taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex or excretion;
 - b. Depicts, describes or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals; and
 - c. Taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value to minors.
3. “Sexual act; sexual contact,” as defined by CIPA, have the meanings given such terms in Section 2246 of Title 18, United States Code.
4. “Minor,” as defined by CIPA, means an individual who has not attained the age of 17. For the purposes of Board policy and this administrative regulation, minor will include all students enrolled in district schools.
5. “Inappropriate matter,” as defined by the district, means material that is inconsistent with general public education purposes, the district’s mission and goals.¹
6. “District proprietary information” is defined by the district as any information created, produced or collected by district staff for the business or education purposes of the district including but not limited to student information, staff information, parent or patron information, curriculum, forms and like items used to conduct the district’s business.

¹ As inappropriate matter is not defined in the CIPA or regulations, districts should define the scope of what it will regard as inappropriate matter. The language provided in #5. is intended as a guide only.

7. “District software” is defined by the district as any commercial or staff developed software acquired using district resources.

General District Responsibilities

The district will:

1. Designate staff as necessary to ensure coordination and maintenance of the district’s electronic communications system which includes all district computers, e-mail and Internet access;
2. Provide staff training in the appropriate use of the district’s system including copies of district policy and administrative regulations. Staff will provide similar training to authorized system users;
3. Provide a system for authorizing staff use of personal electronic devices to download or access district proprietary information, that insures the protections of said information and insures its removal from the device when its use is no longer authorized;
4. Provide a system for obtaining prior written agreement from staff for the recovery of district proprietary information downloaded to staff personal electronic devices as necessary to accomplish district purposes, obligations or duties, and when the use on the personal electronic device is no longer authorized, to insure verification that information downloaded has been properly removed from the personal electronic device;
5. Cooperate fully with local, state or federal officials in any investigation relating to misuse of the district’s system;
6. Use only properly licensed software, audio or video media purchased by the district or approved for use by the district. The district will comply with the requirements of law regarding the use, reproduction and distribution of copyrighted works and with applicable provisions of use or license agreements;
7. Provide technology protection measures that protect against Internet access by both adults and minors to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or with respect to the use of computers by minors, harmful to minors. A supervisor or other individual authorized by the principal may disable the technology protection measures to enable access for bona fide research or other lawful purposes, as deemed appropriate;
8. Prohibit access by minors, as defined by CIPA and this regulation, to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web;
9. Provide staff supervision to monitor the online activities of students to prevent unauthorized access, including “hacking” and other unlawful activities online, and ensure the safety and security of minors when authorized to use e-mail, social media, chat rooms and other forms of direct electronic communication;
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- j. Attempts to use another individual's account name or password, failure to provide the district with individual passwords or to access restricted information, resources or networks to which the user has not been given access.

2. Guidelines/Etiquette

Appropriate system use etiquette is expected of all users and is explained in district training sessions.

Complaints

Complaints regarding use of the district's Electronic Communications System may be made to the teacher, principal, employee's supervisor or system coordinator. The district's established complaint procedure will be used for complaints concerning violations of the district's Electronic Communications System policy and/or administrative regulation. See Board policy KL - Public Complaints and accompanying administrative regulation.

Violations/Consequences

1. Students

- a. Students who violate general system user prohibitions shall be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion and/or revocation of district system access up to and including permanent loss of privileges.
- b. Violations of law will be reported to law enforcement officials and may result in criminal or civil sanctions.
- c. Disciplinary action may be appealed by parents, students and/or a representative in accordance with established district procedures.

2. Staff

- a. Staff who violate general system user prohibitions shall be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal in accordance with Board policy, collective bargaining agreements and applicable provisions of law.
- b. Violations of law will be reported to law enforcement officials and may result in criminal or civil sanctions.
- c. Violations of applicable Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC), Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators will be reported to TSPC as provided by Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 584-020-0041.
- d. Violations of Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 244.040 will be reported to Oregon Government Ethics Commission.

3. Others

- a. Other guest users who violate general system user prohibitions shall be subject to suspension of system access up to and including permanent revocation of privileges.
- b. Violations of law will be reported to law enforcement officials or other agencies, as appropriate, and may result in criminal or civil sanctions.

Telephone/Membership/Other Charges

1. The district assumes no responsibility or liability for any membership, phone or internet provider charges including, but not limited to, long distance charges, per minute (unit) surcharges, overage charges and/or equipment or line costs incurred by any home usage of the district's system.
2. Any disputes or problems regarding phone services or internet provided for home users of the district's system are strictly between the system user and their local phone company and/or long distance service provider.

Information Content/Third Party Supplied Information

1. System users and parents of student system users are advised that use of the district's system may provide access to materials that may be considered objectionable and inconsistent with the district's mission and goals. Parents should be aware of the existence of such materials and monitor their student's home usage of the district's system accordingly.
2. Opinions, advice, services and all other information expressed by system users, information providers, service providers or other third-party individuals are those of the providers and not the district.
3. System users may, with supervising teacher or system coordinator approval, order services or merchandise from other individuals and agencies that may be accessed through the district's system. These individuals and agencies are not affiliated with the district. All matters concerning merchandise and services ordered including, but not limited to, purchase terms, payme4()-9(tMt)]g13296400

Sample Parent Letter

Dear Parents:

Your student has requested to participate in the district's electronic communications program and needs your permission to do so. Your student will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations and individuals around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks.

The Internet is a system which links networks creating a large and diverse communications network. Internet access allows your student the opportunity to reach out to many other people to share information, learn concepts and research subjects by the sending and receiving of messages using a computer, modem and phone m8ges.

Agreement for an Electronic Communications System Account
(Nonschool System User)

I have read the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions will result in suspension or revocation of system access and related privileges and/or referral to law enforcement officials.

In consideration for the privilege of using the district's Electronic Communications System and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the district, its operators and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my use or inability to use the system including, without limitation, the type of damages identified in the district's policy and administrative regulation.

Signature _____

Home Address _____

Date _____ Home Phone Number _____

This space reserved for System Coordinator

Assigned Username: _____ Assigned Password: _____

