

**STUDENT PERSONNEL**  
*Series 500*

Policy Title: INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Code: 503.12

We are pleased to offer students of Lapwai access to the Internet in the library and in several classrooms. This service will offer vast, diverse and unique resources to both students and teachers. The Internet is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers all over the world. To gain access to the Internet, all students must obtain parental permission and must sign and return this form to the Technology Coordinator of each building.

Access to the Internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries and databases. Families need to be warned that some material accessible via the Internet may contain items that are defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people. While our intent is to make Internet access available to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. Lapwai School District specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its Internet services. We believe the benefits to students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. But ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, the Lapwai School District supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access.

**INTERNET RULES**

Students are responsible for good behavior on school computers. Communications on computers are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply.

The Internet is provided for students to conduct research and communicate with others. Access is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parent permission is required. Access is a privilege, not a right.

Individual users of the Internet are responsible for their behavior and communications. It is presumed that users will comply with district standards and will honor the agreements they have signed. Beyond the clarification of such standards, the district is not responsible for restricting, monitoring or controlling the communications of students using the Internet. Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honored. During school, students will be guided toward appropriate materials.

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### NETWORK ETIQUETTE

You are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include (but are not limited to) the following:

- A. Be polite. Do not get abusive in your messages to others.
- B. Use appropriate language. Do not swear, use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language. Illegal activities are strictly forbidden.
- C. Do not reveal your personal address or phone number or that of any other person.
- D. Note that electronic mail (E-Mail) is not guaranteed to be private.

The following behaviors are not permitted:

- E. Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures.
- F. Using obscene language.
- G. Harassing, insulting or attacking others.
- H. Violating copyright laws.
- I. Using another person's password.
- J. Trespassing in other student's folders.

Violating the Acceptable Use Policy may result in:

- K. Restricted network access.
- L. Loss of network access.
- M. Disciplinary or legal action, including but not limited to, criminal prosecution under appropriate state and federal laws.

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN: We ask you to review this policy with your child and to sign the consent form. Your child's teacher has already discussed this policy with your son or daughter.

If you have any questions about the Internet activities, please call your child's teacher. If you would like more information about the Lapwai Public Schools Internet account, please phone David Aiken, Superintendent and Internet Safety Coordinator, at 843-2622, ext. 207.

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Acceptable Use Policy for Lapwai Public Schools Internet Access. I hereby give my permission for my child to use the Internet through classroom or library curriculum projects.

List Student(s) Name(s)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

Date of Adoption:  
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Legal References:

Related References: