Student Acceptable Use of Technology

Acceptable Use is defined by educational, ethical and legal use of materials obtained when using the Internet and other electronic resources.

Purpose
ABSS district equipment, network accounts, Internet and E-mail access are provided to support the Standard Course of Study as appropriate to all ABSS students for use of instructional applications including but not limited to the following: Media Resources and Online Card Catalog; Online Resources; Online Instruction; Computer Skills Testing; and other applications as they apply to the Standard Course of Study.

Privilege
Use of these resources is a privilege and entails responsibility.

Support of these resources for curriculum is a joint responsibility of students, teachers, parents and employees of ABSS. Appropriate bibliographic citations must be given for all information obtained through electronic networks. To ensure stability of the network and availability of resources, frivolous activities should be avoided.

Staff members should enforce acceptable use of resources and report any violations to the school administrator. The violation will be addressed according to the school’s code of conduct and may result in termination of network access.

Unacceptable Network Use (Netiquette)

★ Distributing account information to others
★ Attempting to gain access to another person’s accounts, files, equipment and other network resources
★ Use of inappropriate material or harassment
★ Use of electronic sources for frivolous activity
★ Vandalism (purposeful damage to resources)
★ Unauthorized distribution of copyrighted materials or information
★ Use of district resources for commercial, non-instructive purposes
★ Use of unauthorized software

Safety

★ All Internet access is filtered
★ E-mail correspondence is not private and will be monitored by the instructor
★ Students must report account violations to their instructor
★ Never give out personal information

Student E-mail

★ ABSS students will be assigned individual e-mail accounts that are provided by Gaggle.Net.
★ The district regulates default settings that determine the recommended features students have access to, which may include email, message boards, educational chat rooms, blogs, and digital storage lockers. School administrators have the ability to modify features to accommodate instructional needs.
★ All email messages and postings will be filtered automatically by Gaggle.Net for inappropriate words and images. Any messages determined to be questionable will be diverted to the student’s school administrator for review.
★ Consequences for misuse of email will be determined by the school, and may include restrictions, loss of privileges, or other disciplinary action such as ISS or OSS, even when the account is used from a non-school computer during non-school hours.
School Administrators can view student email accounts and digital lockers at any time.

While Gaggle and school staff use a variety of measures to protect its users, no system will stop 100% of inappropriate content. Gaggle and the district accept no responsibility for harm caused directly or indirectly by its use.

By signing the Student Code of Conduct, each student and his/her parents agree to use the provided email account in an appropriate manner and abide by the district’s policies for use.

Parents: If you have questions or wish to revoke your child’s internet access, contact your student’s school administrator.
To be completed by all students and returned to school

I have received a copy of the Alamance-Burlington School System Student Code of Conduct. I understand that all students are expected to abide by these rules. I also understand that principals and teachers may develop rules that are necessary for the efficient operation of school, and such rules may not be included in this publication.

Student Signature          Date

Parent/Guardian Signature         Date

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Photo/Video Release Consent

At various times during the year, representatives from the Alamance-Burlington School System Community Relations Office, the news media, and others request permission to film, photograph, or videotape school activities, student work, and/or students. Materials may be used in publications, teacher training, presentations to professional and community groups, and/or newspaper and television stories. In addition, individual schools or the Alamance-Burlington School System may use photographs and samples of student work in a web site home page.

**Yes, I DO** consent to the taking and use of pictures of my child and/or his/her work as set forth above.

Student Name

Parent/Guardian Signature          Date

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**No, I DO NOT** consent to the taking and use of pictures of my child and/or his/her work as set forth above.

Student Name

Parent/Guardian Signature          Date