

STUDENT NETWORK/INTERNET USER AGREEMENT AND PARENT PERMISSION FORM

To use networked resources, all students must sign and return this form, and those under age 18 must obtain parental permission. The activities listed below are not permitted:

- Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures
- Using obscene language
- Giving personal information, such as complete name, phone number, address, identifiable photo, without permission from teacher and parent or guardian
- Harassing, insulting or attacking others
- Damaging or modifying computers, computer systems or computer networks
- Violating copyright laws
- Using others' passwords
- Trespassing in others' folders, work or files
- Intentionally wasting limited resources
- Employing the network for commercial purposes, financial gain or fraud

Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action (Board Policy and Procedures in the Student Rights and Responsibilities section).

STUDENT USER AGREEMENT:

As a user of the Thorp School District computer network, I hereby agree to comply with the statements and expectations outlined in this document and to honor all relevant laws and restrictions.

Please initial appropriate items:

- I agree to use the network responsibly
 I grant permission to have my materials published to the World Wide Web

Student Signature _____ Date _____
Print Student Name _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION:

All students are provided with access to district computer resources. In addition to accessing our district computer network, as the parent or legal guardian I grant permission for the above named student to:

Please initial appropriate items:

- access the internet and e-mail systems
 have his/her materials published to the World Wide Web

These permissions are granted for an indefinite period of time, unless otherwise requested. I understand that individuals and families may be held liable for violations. I understand that some materials on the internet may be objectionable, but I accept responsibility for guidance of internet use – setting and conveying standards for my child to follow when selecting, sharing or exploring information and media.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to offer students of the Thorp School District access to the district computer network resources, electronic mail and the internet. To use these resources, all students must sign and return this form, and those under age 18 must obtain parental permission. Parents, please read and complete this document carefully, review its contents with your student, and sign and initial where appropriate. A copy of Board policy regarding student access to networked information resources (Policy 2202) and this document are available on the Thorp School District website, www.thorpschools.org.

GENERAL NETWORK USE

The network is provided for students to conduct research, complete assignments, and communicate with others. Access to network services is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Students are responsible for good behavior on school computer networks just as they are in a classroom or a school hallway. Access is a privilege, not a right. As such, general school rules for behavior and communications apply and users must comply with District standards and honor the agreements they have signed (see reverse side). Beyond the clarification of such standards, the District is not responsible for restricting, monitoring, or controlling the communications of individuals utilizing the network.

Network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and insure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on District servers will be private.

INTERNET / WORLD WIDE WEB / E-MAIL ACCESS

Access to the internet and e-mail will enable students to use thousands of libraries and databases. Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honored. Families should be warned that some material accessible via the internet might contain items that are illegal, 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. Filtering software is in use, but no filtering system is capable of blocking 100% of the inappropriate material available on the internet. We believe that the benefits to students from access to the internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any disadvantages. Ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. To that end, the Thorp School District supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access (see reverse side).

PUBLISHING TO THE WORLD WIDE WEB

Parents, your child's work may be considered for publication on the World Wide Web, specifically on his/her school's website. Such publishing requires parent/guardian permission (see reverse side). The work will appear with a copyright notice prohibiting the copying of such work without express written permission. In the event anyone requests such permission, those requests will be forwarded to the student's parent/guardian.

Unidentified photos of students may be published on school websites, illustrating student projects and achievements. In addition, your daughter or son's full name may be considered for publication on his/her school's website. If published, his/her name will appear on pages with a clear school-related purpose and will be included to further instructional and/or co-curricular activities. Permission for such publishing does not grant permission to share any other information about your child, beyond that implied by their inclusion on the web page(s). **If you do not want your child's photo or name to be published on the website, please indicate this on the Plans and Policies Acknowledgement form which can be found on the reverse side of the back-to-school letter.**