



Acceptable Use Policy #2361 of Network Computers & Resources

The Robbinsville Board of Education recognizes that technological advances have changed the ways in which information is accessed, communicated, and transferred in our society. The changes require that schools alter the curriculum to prepare the students to meet the challenges of the changing world and changing job skills. Access to telecommunications will allow the students to explore databases, libraries, Internet sites, and bulletin boards while exchanging information with other individuals throughout the world.

The Robbinsville Board of Education supports access by students to information sources but reserves the right to limit in-school use to materials appropriate to educational purposes. The district provides access to computer networks and computers for educational purposes only! The administration reserves the right to terminate student access, as well as, implement other disciplinary measures for those who violate the standards for computer and network use as identified.

The main purposes in making technology available to students and staff is to promote educational research, to teach the practical and technical applications of computers and computer networks, and to familiarize students with computer systems.

When working with computers or using the district network the students should:

1. Use the equipment as it was intended to be used,
2. Avoid reckless behavior that may damage the computer, network, or another student's work,
3. Only use the computer and equipment for educational purposes,
4. Keep your password and log on codes confidential,
5. Refrain from entering the files of another user,
6. Never enter, or attempt to enter, the files for which they do not have authorization to access.

Any student engaging in the following actions shall be eligible for disciplinary and possible legal action:

1. Using the computers for illegal, inappropriate, or obscene purposes, or in support of such activities,
2. Using the computer to violate copyrights, institutional or third party copyrights, license agreements, or other contracts,
3. Intentionally disrupting network traffic, or crashing the network,
4. Degrading or disrupting equipment or the systems' performance,
5. Using the computer resources of the district for commercial purposes, financial gain, or fraud,
6. Stealing data or other intellectual property,
7. Seeking or gaining unauthorized access to the files of others,
8. Vandalizing the data or files of another user,
9. Forgoing electronic mail messages or using the account of another user,
10. Invading the privacy of others,
11. Posting anonymous messages,
12. Engaging in activities that do not advance the educational purposes for which the computers and network are provided.

No student shall be allowed to use the computers, the district network, or the district Internet unless they have filed the consent papers with the Principal.