

## Northern Lights Community School

### Internet Safety / Acceptable Use Permission Form

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Student's Name (Please Print)

With your permission, your son or daughter will be able to access the Internet at school as part of his/her educational program. The rules for Internet use at Northern Lights Community School are listed below. Please read before you consider granting permission for your child to use the Internet at school.

1. Students may not use the Internet without a signed permission form on file at NLCS. While Internet access is filtered for all users in the NLCS network, parental permission for access is still required.
2. Food and beverages in open containers are not allowed at the computers at any time.
3. Passwords are private and must not be shared with others. Students may not allow anyone else to use their accounts since each is responsible for what happens in his/her own account. Students should log off the computer when finished in order to prevent others from accessing their accounts.
4. Student accounts are subject to monitoring at any time and should not be considered private. This means that school staff members may remotely observe which Web sites students are accessing, documents in their folders, and what they are typing at any time.
5. Students may not install software on any school computer. Students may not copy or download executable files to their *My Documents* folder or *hard drives* or *network folders* without explicit authorization from school personnel. Only authorized school personnel may install software.
6. Any computer-based activities deemed by the school staff to be non-educational can be prohibited. Downloading, installing or playing unauthorized games of any kind is forbidden.
7. **Email. Sending instant messages or e-mails using programs other than approved ones is not allowed.**
8. Unauthorized access to the server is forbidden. Students may only log on to the NLCS domain using their student accounts.
9. Attempting to bypass the system filter (Barracuda) is forbidden. This is considered hacking and will result in loss of all account privileges or possible legal action.
10. No person may, at any time, visit or attempt to visit any site associated with pornographic materials. No person may visit a chat room (except with permission for a specific project), game site, or music site – except as specifically authorized by school staff members.

11. Music may be used only from a CD or jump drive. Students may not save music files to the hard drive because they take up too much space on the server.
12. Respect for school equipment and the school network is a condition of use of school computers.
13. Internet may be accessed only for support of the instructional program and the curriculum. Transmission of any material in violation of any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited, including copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret.
14. Due to our limited Internet access, students may not use cell phones, smart phones, PDAs (personal digital assistants), iPods, portable gaming devices (PSP, DS, etc.) or any devices that have wireless capabilities (Wi-Fi) during regular school hours unless specifically authorized by school staff. Such devices can and will be confiscated until the end of school hours or longer as deemed by school staff.

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Parent Signature / Date

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Student Signature / Date