

BARTOW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



STUDENT REQUIRED USE AND INTERNET SAFETY AGREEMENT (RUA)

(in accordance with Children's Internet Protection Act [CIPA])

PURPOSE: Bartow County School District provides students access to a laptop computer at designated grade levels, as a means to promote achievement and provide diverse opportunities during the educational experience. This policy provides guidelines and information about the limitations that the school imposes on use of these resources. In addition to this policy, the use of any school computer, including laptop computers, also requires students to abide by the Bartow County Technology Use Guidelines. Additional rules may be added as necessary and will become a part of this policy.

TERMS OF THE REQUIRED USE AND INTERNET SAFETY AGREEMENT

Specifically, the student:

1. Will adhere to these guidelines each time the Internet is used at school.
2. Will make available for inspection by an administrator or teacher upon request any messages or files sent or received at any Internet location. Files stored and information accessed, downloaded or transferred on district-owned technology are not private.
3. Will use appropriate language in all communications avoiding profanity, obscenity and offensive or inflammatory speech. Cyber Bullying such as personal attacks and/or threats on/against anyone made while using district owned technology are to be reported to responsible school personnel. Rules of netiquette should be followed conducting oneself in a responsible, ethical and polite manner.
4. Will follow copyright laws and should only download/import music or other files to a district owned device that he/she is authorized or legally permitted to reproduce, or for which he/she has the copyright.
5. Will never reveal identifying information such as student ID #s, SS#s, telephone #s and addresses, files or communications to others through email or post to the Internet.
6. Will not attempt access to networks and other technologies beyond the point of authorized access. This includes attempts to use another person's account and/or password.
7. Will not share passwords or attempt to discover passwords. Sharing a password could make you liable if problems arise with its use and subject to disciplinary action.
8. Will not download and/or install any programs, files, or games from the Internet or other sources onto any district owned technology. This includes Mac OS apps and iOS apps. This also includes the intentional introduction of computer viruses and other malicious software.
9. Will not tamper with computer hardware or software, unauthorized entry into computers, and vandalism or destruction of the computer or computer files. Damage to computers may result in felony criminal charges.
10. Will not attempt to override, bypass or otherwise change the Internet filtering software or other network configurations. This includes the introduction of proxies via a USB device, web download or any other means of installation.
11. Will use technology for school-related purposes only while refraining from use related to commercial, political or other private purposes.
12. Will not make use of materials or attempt to locate materials that are unacceptable in a school setting. This includes, but is not limited to pornographic, obscene, graphically violent, or vulgar images, sounds, music, language, video or other materials. The criteria for acceptability is demonstrated in the types of material made available to students by administrators, teachers, and the school media center. Specifically, all district owned technologies should be free at all times of any pornographic, obscene, graphically violent, or vulgar images, sounds, music, language, video or other materials (files).
13. Will not connect any personal technologies such as laptops and workstations, wireless access points and routers, printers, etc. to district owned and maintained local, wide or metro area network.

14. Will keep laptop secure and damage free. Each laptop is issued with a protective neoprene sleeve. Use of provided laptop sleeve is required at all times. Follow these general guidelines:

1. Do not loan your laptop or charger and cords.
2. Do not leave the laptop in vehicle.
3. Do not leave your laptop unattended.
4. Do not eat or drink while using the laptop or have food or drinks in close proximity to the laptop.
5. Do not place the laptop in floor or in sitting area such as couches or chairs.
6. Do not leave the laptop near table or desk edges.
7. Do not stack objects on top of your laptop.
8. Do not leave the laptop outside or use near water.

15. Will back up data and other important files regularly. Bartow County School District will at times maintenance the laptops by imaging. All files not backed up will be deleted during these processes. Students are ultimately responsible for backing up all personal files on their own storage media.

STUDENT

By signing this, I agree to abide by the conditions listed above and assume responsibility for the care and proper use of Bartow County School District technology, including backing up personal data. Bartow County School District is not responsible for any loss resulting from delays, non-deliveries, missed deliveries, lost data, or service interruptions caused by user errors, omissions or reasons beyond the district's control. Information obtained via the Internet and other sources using Bartow County School District technologies is not guaranteed as to its accuracy or quality. I understand that should I fail to honor all the terms of this Policy, future Internet and other electronic media accessibility may be denied. Furthermore, I may be subject to disciplinary action outlined in the Bartow County School District Student Code of Conduct and, if applicable, my laptop computer may be recalled.

As the student, my signature indicates I have read or had explained to me and understand this Required Use Agreement, and accept responsibility for abiding by the terms and conditions outlined and using these resources for educational purposes.

Student (please print): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

By signing below, I give permission for the school to allow my child to have access to the Internet under the conditions set forth above. As the parent/guardian, my signature indicates I have read and understand this Required Use Agreement, and give my permission for my child to have access to the described electronic resources.

Parent/Guardian (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Terms and Conditions: This RUA is valid through June 30, 2015