

## CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

### Issues that Relate to Technology Use

Philosophical Basis: The Troy School District provides a wide variety of technological resources for students and staff to utilize in the instructional process. These resources include, but are not limited to: desktop, laptop and handheld computers, software, printers, Internet and District Intranet access, video/voice/data networks, audio and video equipment, and copy machines. The district's goal is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication by providing these resources in the best possible working order.

A user's access to technology resources shall be considered a *privilege* with no entitlement or guarantee, and access may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee.

Obligations: students have the responsibility to use these resources appropriately by:

1. Using resources only for educational purposes during class time
2. Respecting copyright laws
3. Not removing, modifying, or destroying technology resources
4. Maintaining personal security by protecting passwords
5. Not attempting to gain unauthorized access to systems or trespassing in other users' data files, or directories
6. Complying with all the terms and conditions of the District's Acceptable Use Policy.

Level I Violations	Level II Violations	Level III Violations
Unauthorized use of electronic communication devices during school day	Academic Misconduct	
Use of personal electronic communication devices during school day	Electronic Access Codes	
	Harassment	
	Inappropriate Use of Technology Resources	Inappropriate Use of Technology Resources (aggravated)
	Stealing, Possession or Transfer of Property of Others (Value Under \$100)	Stealing, Possession or Transfer of Property of Others (Value \$100 or More)
	Vandalism (Value Under \$100)	Vandalism (Value Over \$100)

### CHILDREN'S ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT

In April 2000, the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) went into effect. COPPA requires that web site operators obtain verified parental consent before collecting, using, or storing "personally identifiable information" (PII) about children less than 13 years of age.

PII includes data such as first and last name, street address, telephone number or e-mail address. Troy School District does **not** collect this type of information via the internet. However, under COPPA, "collecting" includes not only a direct request, such as a registration form, but also **enabling** children to make PII available online. Examples of how a child could make PII available online include message boards, e-mail, or chat rooms.

Internet safety lessons in our schools remind students that they should never reveal personal information online. E-mail projects between schools are closely monitored by teachers, and students use only first names. Nonetheless, COPPA requires that web sites and services directed to children disclose their information collection, use and storage practices.

In order to honor our commitment to providing the best education possible, the Troy School District will provide Internet access to high-quality learning sites. These sites provide a wide variety of activities that are rich in academic value.