

## INTERNET SAFETY POLICY

In order for any student to use technology in the school, students and their parents/legal guardians must first read and understand the following acceptable use policies.

# ACCEPTABLE USES

- The computer network at Kulanu Academy has been set up in order to allow Internet access for educational purposes only. This includes classroom activities, research activities, peer review of assigned work, and the exchange of project-related ideas, opinions, and questions via email, message boards, and other means.
- Students will have access to the Internet via classrooms (upon teacher request), library, and computer lab computers. Student access is limited to specified assignments by classroom teachers. Students at no time will have access to personal or private e-mail accounts (Gmail, Yahoo, etc.).
- Computer users must respect resource limits and must remain within an allotted disk space of 50 megabytes.
- Student use of the Internet is contingent upon parent permission in the form of a signed copy of the Parent/ Student Responsibility Form. Parents may revoke approval at any time.
- Material created and/or stored on the system is not guaranteed to be private. The technology coordinator may review the system from time to time to ensure that the system is being used properly. For this reason, students should expect that e-mails, material placed on personal web pages, and other work that is created on the network may be viewed by a third party.
- Students must keep their passwords private. Accounts and/or passwords may not be shared.
- Students are expected to adhere to the guidelines listed below.

### UNACCEPTABLE USES

- The network may not be used to download, copy, or store any software, shareware, or freeware without prior permission from the technology coordinator.
- The network may not be used for commercial purposes. Users may not buy or sell products or services through the system without permission from the technology coordinator.
- The network may not be used for any activity, or to transmit any material, that violates United States or local laws. This includes, but is not limited to, illegal activities such as threatening the safety of another person or violating copyright laws.
- Computer users may not use vulgar, derogatory, or obscene language. Users may not engage in personal attacks, harass another person, or post private information about another person.
- Computer users may not log on to someone else's account or attempt to access another user's files. "Hacking" or otherwise trying to gain access to another person's or organization's computer system is prohibited.
- Computer users may not access Web sites, newsgroups, or chat areas that contain material that is obscene or that promotes illegal acts. If a user accidentally accesses this type of information, he or she should immediately notify the technology coordinator.
- Computer users may not engage in "spamming" or participate in chain letters.
- Computer users may not engage in trading on online auction sites (i.e., Ebay, Yahoo Auction), except when supervised during vocational training. Computer users are prohibited from accessing social networking sites (i.e., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) at all times.

### COMPUTER LAB RULES

- Students are expected to treat the machines with care.
- Students will have the opportunity to use the computer lab during lunch periods for school work with a pass that can be obtained from the technology coordinator at the posted time located on the computer lab door.
- Due to the sensitive nature of the equipment in the computer lab at no time will students be allowed to bring any type of food or drink (sealed or unsealed) into the computer lab.

# SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS

- Never give out your last name, address, or phone number.
- Never agree to meet in person with anyone you have met online unless you first have parental approval.
- Your parents should instruct you if there is additional material that they think would be inappropriate for you to access. Kulanu Academy expects you to follow your parents' wishes in this matter.