



Notice of Internet Access Policies

The Internet is an electronic network connecting millions of computers and individuals all over the world. It is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies and regional and state networks. The smooth operation of the network that provides both in-school and worldwide access depends upon proper conduct of each end-user. Users must adhere to the guidelines of this policy in order to acquire and maintain network access. Violation of any of these provisions of this policy will result in the following:

- Termination of Access
- Denial of future access
- Possible disciplinary action

Battle Rock Charter School's local area network (LAN) and internet system is to be used for educational activities only. Activities that are acceptable include classroom activities, career development and limited, high quality self-discoveries. Individuals may not use the system for entertainment purposes. The school believes that the valuable information and interaction on the Internet far outweighs the possibility that users may access content. That is not consistent with the educational goals of the school. The use of the network and the Internet at Battle Rock Charter School is a privilege, not a right, and must be treated as such by all users. Inappropriate use will result in cancellation of this privilege. The following activities are expressly prohibited:

- Use of the Internet for or in support of an illegal or obscene activity, and/or inappropriate use.
- Use of the Internet for any non-school related business and/or commercial purpose, product advertising or support of any political or lobbying activity.
- Vandalism, which includes, but is not limited to, any malicious attempt to harm, destroy, or alter data on the Internet, including introduction of any computer virus.
- Any attempt to access restricted data or disrupt the use of the Internet for other users.
- Use of profanities or language that is generally offensive, defamatory, harassing, or threatening to any other individual or group. Creating or accessing dangerous information.
- Violation of copyrights or interference with license agreements. This includes but is not limited to, software, uncredited use of text, graphics, photographs, electronic data, or interference with the privacy rights of individuals or entities without their authorization.
- Plagiarism of any information gathered via the Internet is also prohibited ("Plagiarism" is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were yours).

- Users have no proprietary ownership in materials placed on the Internet to unauthorized users.
- Using the Internet to check personal email accounts or to participate in online chat rooms not related to the school's educational activities.
- Sharing login passwords, leaving passwords available in obvious locations, or leaving "signed-on" computers unattended.
- Compromising personal safety
- You will not post personal information about yourself or others. Personal information includes your full name, address, telephone number, school address, etc.
- You will not agree to meet someone you have not met online with your parent's approval.
- You will promptly tell your teachers or other school employees any message you receive that is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.

Communication conducted over the Internet is not private and any staff member may, in conducting supervision and maintenance, review and inspect directories or messages. The school reserves the right and will access stored records with or without reasonable cause to assure compliance with this policy. The school makes no guarantees that the functions of the Internet will meet any specific requirements. The school will not be responsible for any damages suffered through use of the Internet. This includes loss of data, non-deliveries, or service interruption. Use of any information obtained through the Internet is at each user's risk. The school specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through the internet. The school cannot guarantee that your child will not access inappropriate material.