



Internet and Systems Acceptable Use Agreement Grade 9 - 12 STUDENTS

PHILOSOPHY

New technologies have significantly impacted every facet of modern society including public education. The impact of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in education is transforming the learning environments in schools. New technologies provide students with unique and powerful ways to enhance their learning.

In the knowledge-based society of today, the sheer volume of accessible information is greater than ever before and is increasing exponentially. Our vision of learning today to improve tomorrow implies that to prepare students to function in a knowledge- based society, we must first identify what a student needs to learn to function in such a society. There are skills and attributes that were important in the past that remain important today. These include literacy, numeracy, and critical thinking. However, the combination of new technologies and access to information that underpins a knowledge- based society means that these skills need to be applied in different ways and supplemented with new skills for students to become full participants in society.

Louis Riel School Division supports the use of ICT for enhancing and supporting learning and is pleased to provide students access to networks and devices to enhance learning any time of the day.

Louis Riel School Division's objective is to ensure student interactions with ICT contribute positively to the learning environment both at school and in the community. Negative use of ICT networks or devices inside or outside of our schools that degrades or defames other users, or members of our community is unacceptable. The division recognizes that students have widespread access to ICT. As such, the use of personal devices and connectivity is encompassed by this Acceptable Use Administrative Procedure.

Student ICT Conduct

The use of Louis Riel School Division owned or student owned devices imparts personal responsibility. Students are expected to comply with all Louis Riel School Division administrative procedures, in a responsible manner and honour the terms and conditions set by these procedures and those with responsibility for administering those procedures. Failure to comply with such terms and conditions may result in temporary or permanent loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action as necessary. Students will be held accountable for their actions and are encouraged to report unauthorized or inappropriate use immediately to their teacher or school administration.



Louis Riel School Division reserves the right to:

1. Take immediate action regarding activities that create security and/or safety issues for the Louis Riel School Division Network, other students, staff, and ICT resources;
2. Take immediate action to correct instances that expend Louis Riel School Division resources on content it determines lacking legitimate educational content/purpose or other activities as determined by Louis Riel School Division to be inappropriate;
3. Allow Networks and Devices to be used only with the permission of the teacher or school administration.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Inappropriate use of ICT may include:

- Students not adhering to all copyright laws;
- Deleting, copying, modifying, or forging other user names, emails, files or data, disguising one's identity, impersonating other users, or sending anonymous email;
- Damaging or altering devices, network connections or files in any way;
- Intentionally accessing, creating, storing or transmitting material that may be deemed to be offensive, indecent, obscene, intimidating or hostile; or that harasses, insults or attacks others;
- Causing harm to others or damage to their property;
- Selling or purchasing illegal items or substances;
- Using any Louis Riel School Division owned or student owned devices to pursue "hacking" internal or external to LRSD, or attempting to access information protected by privacy laws
- Obtaining and/or using unauthorized hardware or software programs



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Date: _____

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

I _____ fully understand this user
Name of Student (please print) agreement and agree to comply with it in consideration of
my being granted access to the Computer and Internet Facilities.

Signature of Student: _____

As a parent or guardian of the User (above), I support the user agreement and agree that access provided to the Computer and Internet Facilities by the School Division is to be used for educational purposes only.

I understand that it is impossible for the School Division to control all access to the Facilities and I will not hold the School Division responsible for information obtained through the Facilities that is inappropriate for school use.

I give my permission for the User (above) to access the Facilities pursuant to this agreement. (Applicable to students under 18)

Name of Parent/Guardian (please print): _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

**Please return this signed page to your child's school.*