



Internet and Systems Acceptable Use Agreement K - 8 STUDENTS

Parents/Guardians – please review the student friendly “K–8 Student Computer Use Pledge” (page 2) with your child before signing this agreement and return the signed agreement (page 3) to your child’s school.

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.

K – 8 Student Computer Use Pledge

In the Louis Riel School Division computers help students learn. I pledge the following:

1. I will be a good digital citizen and do my best to do the following:
 - a. respect myself and others while online
 - b. respect copyright and give credit if I am using someone else's words or ideas
 - c. protect my private information and my classmates'
 - d. stand up to Cyberbullying when I see it happen
 - e. stay safe online and carefully manage my Digital Footprint
 - f. balance the time I spend online
2. I will use only my own log-in name and password and nobody else's. I will keep my log-in name and password a secret
3. I will never damage computer equipment and I will tell my teacher if I notice any damage to a computer
4. I will not look at, change or delete other people's files
5. I will tell my teacher immediately if I am invited to meet someone face-to-face
6. I will tell my teacher immediately if I see anything on my computer that I am unhappy seeing, or if I receive messages I do not like
7. I know that if I deliberately break any of these rules, I can be stopped from using either the Internet, the school computers and/or my personal device(s)



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Date: _____

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

I _____ **fully understand this pledge**
Name of Student (please print) **and user 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.*