Information Network Acceptable Use Policy

Policy Number: 7102

I. Purpose

The Board recognizes the need for a policy governing the use of the electronic information resources by users as outlined in Utah State Code 53G-7-1002. Responsibility is delegated to the Administration for implementing the policy according to established guidelines.

II. Policy

The Information Network Acceptable Use Policy shall be administrated and implemented according to the terms and conditions outlined in the following guidelines:

A. Scope - This policy references the use of electronic information resources made available to users by Summit Academy. These resources include, but are not limited to, voice mail, email, the Internet, and other network files or accounts provided to users. Person's use of electronic information resources must be in support of education and research and must be consistent with the educational objectives of Summit Academy. While access to all materials on a worldwide network cannot be controlled, Internet access is filtered and monitored on an ongoing basis.

B. Terms and Condition of This Policy-

1. Acceptable Network Use
    a. Users will use the Internet and other electronic information resources in an appropriate manner, abiding by the rules and regulations described in this policy.
    b. Users who formally publish school related information on the Internet must have proper approvals and abide by school publishing guidelines and procedures.
    c. Users are expected to abide by generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These rules include, but are not limited to, being polite, never sending or encouraging others to send abusive messages, and using inappropriate language.

2. Unacceptable Network Use
    a. Users may not intentionally transmit or receive material in violation of law or school policy. This includes, but is not limited to, pornographic indecent or sexually suggestive materials, weapons, controlled substances or alcohol, or incendiary devises. Users are prohibited from posting or sending content that contains threats or is hatefully or racially, ethically or otherwise objectionable.
    b. Users may not participate in or promote any illegal or inappropriate activities, disruptive use of the network, or activities of any kind that do not conform to the rules, regulations and policies of Summit Academy.
    c. Users may not use the network for product advertisement or political lobbying.
    d. Users may not reveal personal information such as names, addresses, telephone numbers, passwords, credit card numbers or social security numbers. Releasing personal information of others or that of organizations associated with the school is prohibited.
    e. Users may not intentionally harm or destroy district data, the network, or network performance. This includes, but is not limited to, creation and introduction of

computer viruses, unauthorized access to restricted systems or programs, or using the district network to illegally access other systems.

3. Expectation of Privacy
    a. Files, disks, documents, etc., which have been used or created with school electronic information resources are not considered private.
    b. Electronic mail transmissions are not private.

4. Discussion/Submission
    a. Students will participate in a discussion with a parent or legal guardian school information Network Acceptable Use Policy, which includes proper behavior and use of the network.
    b. User(s) will be required to submit a new student Signature of Agreement Form each year or upon special request.

5. Disciplinary Action
    a. The combined signatures indicate that the student and parent/legal guardian has carefully read, understands agrees to abide by these terms and conditions regarding proper behavior and use of the network. The signatures on the Student Signature of Agreement Form are legally binding.
    b. Users who violate the terms and conditions of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, including the possibility of suspension or expulsion from school and appropriate legal action. Access to electronic information may be limited, suspended or revoked.

6. Service Disclaimer.
   Summit Academy makes no warranties of any kind, either expressed or implied, for the electronic information resources it provides. The school will not be responsible for any damages an employee suffers while using these resources. These damages may include, but are not limited to, loss of data as a result of delays, employee errors or omissions, or non-deliveries or service interruptions caused by a network system. Use of information obtained by the network system is at the employee's own risk. Summit Academy specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy of information obtained through the electronic information resources.

III. References

Utah State Code 53G-7-1002

IV. Attachments

Information Network Acceptable Use Policy User Signature of Agreement

V. Revision History and Approval Date

Version 1: August 2010: Original date of approval
Version 2: November 21, 2019: Approved
Version 3: August 18, 2022: Change in Noun
Version 4: October 22, 2026: Update to Formatting.

USER SIGNATURE of AGREEMENT

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I have read Summit Academy's ***User Information Network Acceptable Use Policy and*** agree to abide by its terms and conditions. I understand that violation of the use provisions stated in the policy may result in limitation, suspension or revocation of network privileges, and/or other disciplinary action by Summit Academy, or by legal authorities.

Name_____Role_____

School _____Date_____

Parent/Legal Guardian Agreement *(If Applicable)*

As a parent or legal guardian of this student, I have read and discussed with my child Summit ***Academy's USER Information Network Acceptable Use Policy.*** I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I also recognize that access to all controversial materials on a worldwide network cannot be controlled, and I will not hold the School responsible for materials acquired on the network. I hereby give my permission for access to electronic information resources for my child.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature_____Date_____