

# Synergy Public School

## Acceptable Use Policy

### STUDENT RIGHTS

Each user has the right to use district hardware/ software to promote personal academic growth.

Users have the conditional right to access the Internet for personal academic growth, information gathering, and communication if they do so responsibly.

Users have the right to retrieve information using methods such as Electronic Mail (e-mail) and World Wide Web. Students will be assigned an email address as part of the Pima Prevention Partnership network services.

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Students who use any hardware/software as an educational resource shall also accept the responsibility for the preservation and care of that hardware/software. All students are responsible for adhering to the Student Conduct Code.

- Students using the Internet as an educational resource shall be responsible for the appropriate use of all material received under his/her user account.
- Users will be held accountable for any deliberate attempts at knowingly allowing and/or running a computer virus on district equipment.
- Use of the network to access pornographic materials, inappropriate text or image files or files dangerous to the integrity of the network is prohibited. Internet usage for gambling purposes is strictly prohibited.
- Users will respect the privacy of other users and will not attempt to modify or use someone else's account/password or represent themselves as another user. Use of the network for commercial or for-profit purposes, or for fund-raising is not allowed.
- Students do not have permission to install software applications or download applications on school district equipment.
- Students are responsible for appropriate use of an e-mail account and all e-mail etiquette needs to be followed on each interaction.
- Students will not remove, relocate, or modify any hardware, software, or files, or enter the system folder or control panel of any computer system. Altering, moving, renaming, hiding, or deleting programs, files or applications, or action of a similar nature is prohibited.
- Copyright laws will be strictly adhered to when using all computer, scanner, and video equipment in the building. All violations of copyright laws (i.e., copying programs without written permission from the copyright holder who is the author or producer of the program) will be covered under the Student Conduct Code, and local, state, or federal laws and ordinances.
- Using the network to harass other users or plagiarize material is subject to provisions of the Student Conduct Code and local, state, or federal laws or ordinances.

### SCHOOL DISTRICT RIGHTS

Synergy Public School has the right to review any material stored in files to which users have access, to edit or remove any material, which the district, in its sole discretion, believes is unlawful, obscene, abusive, or objectionable, and to take appropriate legal action.

Synergy Public School makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. The district will not be responsible for loss of data, service interruptions, or for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through Internet services.

Synergy Public School has the right to place limits on connection time.

**Violation of user responsibilities may result in temporary or permanent loss of Internet address.**

### **DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Use of the Internet is subject to all rules and regulations enumerated in the Student Conduct Code. Enforcement is the responsibility of the staff. Administration will review all cases referred for disciplinary action. In addition to disciplinary actions listed in the Student Conduct Code, any or all of the following may be implemented:

- Student may be excluded from access to Internet.
- Student may be excluded from using any or all computer equipment throughout the district.