

USE OF ELECTRONIC WIDE AREA NETWORK

DATES (Adopted/Revised)	GUIDE WORDS
Adopted May, 1995 Revised April, 2002 Revised April, 2006	Internet Wide Area Network Computer Technology Email

Access to the Internet and/or other wide area network services may be available to students and staff in School District 25. This offers vast, diverse and unique resources to both students and teachers. One of the district goals is, "Learners will demonstrate the ability and internal motivation to seek out and access information utilizing a variety of resources including available technology." The School District email service is provided for us, as a privilege, to use as a communication and educational tool. It is not intended for use by any individual or individuals as a public forum for personal gain, advertisements, sales, political agendas, complaint department or chat room activities. All such use is prohibited.

With access to wide area networks and people throughout the world, comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. School District 25 has taken precautions to restrict access to controversial materials. On a global network, it is impossible to control all materials which become available. Valuable information and interaction available on wide area networks far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of School District 25.

Wide area networks, including Internet and email services, are coordinated through a complex association of government agencies, and regional and state networks. It is imperative that users comply with a set of strict guidelines in order to maintain efficient ethical and legal utilization of network resources. Note: Email services may not be provided to all users or our network system.

All students and staff will be allowed access and use of our wide area network through generic or personal logins. This affords delivery of many educational programs and services. An individual account is to be established for each user of School District 25's wide area network for Internet and/or email access. Individual access to the network is to be only through the account that has been established. School District 25 reserves the right to monitor any and all activity on any School District Network. Information stored on School District computers is subject to Federal and State laws regarding public information, i.e. any information is subject to public scrutiny. There is no assumption of privacy.

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If the user violates any provisions, the account will be terminated, future access may be denied, and appropriate disciplinary actions will be taken. District 25 reserves the right to discipline any student or staff member for actions taken off-campus if they adversely affect the safety and well-being of students or staff members while in school. The appropriate signatures are required from students, parents, and staff prior to setting up an individual user account. It is expected that all terms and conditions outlined in this policy and the account application will be followed.