Subject: Acceptable Use Policy

The Williamson Board of Education recognizes computer technology as an educational tool. District students, staff and community members may have access to equipment that will facilitate classroom requirements, supplement classroom instruction, or be used for community enhancement.

Computer technology, including hardware, software, the infrastructure, and connection to an external network (e.g. the internet or www), is intended for appropriate use only. Such use may involve electronically accessing resources, sharing information, engaging in innovative instruction, and carrying out communications.

All use of computer technology shall be in compliance with rules and regulations set forth in administrative regulations (See Acceptable Use Regulations). Failure to obey rules regulating acceptable use will result in revocation or suspension of the right to use the technology and/or prosecution by law.

All users are required to sign a written agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of this policy and its accompanying regulations. Parents or guardians are required to sign for minors. Users granted access to the Internet through the Williamson Central School District assume personal responsibility and liability, both civil and criminal, for uses of the Internet not authorized by the District.

Staff data files, e-mail and electronic storage areas shall remain District property, subject to District control and inspection. The computer coordinator may access all such files and communications without prior notice to ensure system integrity and that users are complying with requirements of District policy and accompanying regulations. Staff should NOT expect that information stored on the DCS will be private.

This policy does not attempt to articulate all required and/or acceptable uses; nor is it the intention of this policy to define all inappropriate usage.

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