



Pekin Community High School, District #303

320 Stadium

Pekin, Illinois 61554

Gary DePatis, Superintendent

Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Access Student Form

Application for account and conditions for use.

Please read the following carefully before signing the attached contract. This is a legally binding document.

Pekin Community High School District #303 is providing computer network and Internet access for its students. This service allows students to share information, learn new concepts, research diverse subjects, and create and maintain school-based websites. The district provides technology for use as an instructional tool and to advance the students, community, faculty, staff, administration and board of education's technological skills and usage. Pekin Community High School District #303 also seeks to:

- Develop a school environment where students learn the skills to become proficient information seekers and critical analyzers of that information. In becoming more adept at locating and analyzing information, students will utilize knowledge creatively rather than acquire it passively.
- Utilize technology to efficiently deliver services to students, staff and community.
- Develop a school environment where the role of student has moved from passive learning to that of an active learner who explores; plans his/her own goals, strategies and assessments; is self directed; is a problem solver and can work as a team member to reach goals.
- Develop a home/school communication link that serves as a source for parents to obtain information about school and activities in general and their student in particular.
- Provide technology hardware and software that is as current as funds allow and readily accessible so that students have opportunities to use software and hardware that enhance learning activities, stretch their imagination and challenge them to work productively and creatively.

Access to network services is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parent permission is required. Access is a privilege - not a right. Access entails responsibility. Signatures on the attached contract are legally binding and indicates the parties who signed have read the terms and conditions carefully and understood their significance.

Terms and Conditions

I. Acceptable Use. The purpose of our connection to the Internet is to support research and education by providing access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work. The use of your account must be in support of education and research and consistent with the educational objectives of Pekin Community High School District 303.

A. Educational Purpose

1. The Pekin Community High School Internet Access has been established for a limited educational purpose. The term "educational purpose" includes classroom activities, career development, and limited high-quality self-discovery activities. These activities are under the guidance and direction of a teacher.
2. The Pekin Community High School Internet Access has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material you access or post through the system.
3. You may **not attempt to access** any social file-sharing sites (**Twitter, Facebook**, etc)
4. You may **not download BitTorrent files, games, screensavers, or ANY OTHER PROGRAMS.**
5. You may not use the Pekin High School Internet Access for commercial purposes. This means you may not offer, provide, or purchase products or services through the Pekin High School Internet Access.

6. You may not use the Pekin High School Internet Access for political or religious lobbying, but you may use the system to communicate with elected representatives and to express your opinion on political issues.

B. Illegal Activities

1. You will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to any other computer system through the Pekin High School Internet Access or go beyond your authorized access. This includes attempting to log in through another person's account or access another person's files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of "browsing."
2. You will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system or destroying data, by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.
3. You will not use the Pekin High School Internet Access to engage in any other illegal act, such as arranging for a drug sale or the purchase of alcohol, engaging in criminal gang activity, or threatening the safety of any person .

C. System Security.

1. You are responsible for your individual account and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from being able to use your account. **Under no conditions should you provide your password to another person.**
2. You will immediately notify your teacher if you have identified a possible security problem. Do not go looking for security problems because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.

D. Inappropriate Content.

1. Restrictions against inappropriate language apply to material posted on web pages, in PowerPoint Presentations, or file names. You will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, disrespectful, or discriminatory language.
2. You will not download pictures and/or use them on web pages or PowerPoint Presentations that are in any way obscene, vulgar, inflammatory, threatening, disrespectful, or discriminatory.
3. You will not engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.
4. You will **not put any links on your web pages to other sites**, as these cannot be monitored by our web server personnel.
5. You are **not allowed to put your full name on web pages.**
6. You are **not allowed to create a link on your web page to your personal email address.**

E. Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement.

1. You will not plagiarize works that you find on the Internet.
2. You will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when you inappropriately reproduce a work that is protected by a copyright. If a work contains language that specifies appropriate use of that work, you should follow the expressed requirements. If you are unsure whether or not you can use a work, you should request permission from the copyright owner.

II. Privacy

A. You should expect only limited privacy in the contents of your personal files on the Pekin High School Internet Access system. Even if you sign in with your own password, your files may still be viewed by teachers and system administrators.

B. Routine maintenance and monitoring of the Pekin High School Internet Access system may lead to deletion of downloaded files, bookmarks, and files.

III. Care of Hardware

- A. At no time should you try to change the configuration of the computer.
- B. At no time should you try to change the appearance of the display on the computer.
- C. Care should be exhibited in using the computer in order to avoid damage to the equipment.

IV. Bring Your Own Device Technology. As new technologies continue to change the world in which we live, they also provide many new and positive educational benefits for classroom instruction. "Bring Your Own Device" is defined as privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic hand held equipment that includes, but is not limited to, laptop and mobile computers, existing and emerging mobile communication systems and smart technologies (Blackberry, Android, Iphone, etc), portable Internet devices (iPod touch, iPad, tablet PC, etc), e-books readers (Kindle, Nook, etc.) or portable information technology systems that can be used for word processing, wireless Internet access, image capture/recording, sound recording and information transmitting/receiving/storing, etc. Students are allowed to bring these devices to Pekin Community High School at the start of the 2012-2013 school year.

- A. The student is responsible for the proper care of their personal device, including any costs of repair, replacement or any modifications needed to use the device at school. The school is not responsible for the security of personal technology.
- B. The student will use the PCHS wireless network. Use of 3G & 4G wireless connections for accessing the Internet is not allowed.
- C. Students are not allowed to transmit or post photographic images/videos of any person on school property on public and/or social networking sites.
- D. The school reserves the right to inspect a student's personal device if there is reason to believe that the student has violated Board policies, administrative procedures, school rules or has engaged in misconduct while using their personal device.
- E. Students must comply with teacher requests to shut down the computer, close the screen or cease using the device. Devices must be in silent mode and put away when asked by teachers.
- F. Violations of this AUP involving a student's personally owned device may result in the loss of use of the device in school and/or disciplinary action.
- G. Printing from personal devices will not be permitted at school.



<p>Student's Last Name _____ (Please Print Legibly)</p> <p>Year In School (Circle One) Fresh. Soph. Junior Senior</p>
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Contract Portion of Document

Student Form

I have read the Pekin Community High School District #303 Internet Access Terms and Conditions. I understand and will abide by the stated Terms and Conditions. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be suspended, revoked, and/or appropriate disciplinary action taken.

Student Name
(Please print): _____

Student
Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Parent Permission Form

As a parent or guardian of _____ (student's name), at Pekin Community High School District #303, I have read the above document concerning the appropriate use of computers and Internet access at Pekin Community High School District #303. I understand and endorse the agreement that my child is making at Pekin Community High School, and I understand this agreement will be kept on file at Pekin Community High School.

Parent Name (Please Print): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____