

CHESHIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

29 Main Street
Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

ELECTRONIC INFORMATION RESOURCES ACCESS AGREEMENT Grades Pre-K, Kindergarten, First and Second

What are the Responsible Use Policy and the Electronic Information Resources Access Agreement?

The Responsible Use Policy was adopted by the Cheshire Public Schools Board of Education in 1997 and was revised in 1999. The Responsible Use Policy (RUP) outlines the Board's specific expectations for students' use of the school system's electronic information resources, including the school system's computer networks and the Internet.

The RUP requires the preparation of the Electronic Information Resources Access Agreement which one parent (or legal guardian) and all students in grades three through twelve are required to sign and return to school before the student will be allowed to access and use these resources. By reading and signing this Agreement, you are giving your permission for your child to use these resources, and you are stating that you understand and will explain to your child what the Agreement means. *Children in kindergarten, first grade and second grade are not asked to sign the policy.*

What Will My Child Learn About the RUP?

As part of the annual orientation to the computer lab, library and classroom computers, your kindergartner, first grader or second grader will be taught what "computer use" behavior the school expects from each student. Lessons have been developed to make the RUP easily understandable to young children. Every student is expected to participate in these lessons.

Here are the words that your child will learn about the Responsible Use Policy. Remember that they will learn these in class with the help of the school librarian and their classroom teachers. Please read the following statements carefully:

- ☺ I will be responsible and treat the computers with care. I will never do anything to destroy any computers or anyone else's work on the computers.
- ☺ I will always ask my teacher if I can use the computer. I will never use a computer unless an adult is in the room.
- ☺ I will never use bad or rude language on the computers.
- ☺ I will immediately tell the teacher if there are any problems when I am using the computer.
- ☺ I will never give out any personal information about myself or anyone else while on the Internet.
- ☺ I will never copy (plagiarize) someone else's work on the computer and say that it is my own.
- ☺ I will follow all school rules when using the computer.
- ☺ If I do not follow these rules, I may be disciplined, including losing my privileges to use the school computers for not following the rules.
- ☺ If I damage any computers, computer software or material on the computers on purpose, my parents and I may be asked to pay for them.

➤ **PARENTAL CONSENT**
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I give the Cheshire Board of Education permission to allow my child to access and use the electronic information resources in the schools for educational purposes. I understand that when using a resource such as the Internet, it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial or potentially inappropriate materials or to predict with complete certainty what information a user may locate. I understand that the District will use filtering programs, access controls and active supervision of students and will make all reasonable efforts to protect students from any misuses or abuses as a result of their use of the District's electronic information resources.

I have read the Board's Responsible Use Policy and this Electronic Information Resources Access Agreement for grades kindergarten, one and two. I have discussed the Policy and this Agreement with my child. I understand that my child, in addition, will receive several lessons from the school librarian and classroom teacher about the Responsible Use Policy and the Electronic Information Resources Access Agreement.

I understand, and explained to my child, that he or she may lose his or her privilege to use these resources at school and may be disciplined if he or she does not follow all of the rules outlined in the Responsible Use Policy and the Access Agreement. I understand that my child and I may be held liable for costs incurred by my child's deliberate violation of the Policy.

Student's Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent or Guardian)

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

I give permission to allow school personnel to record audios, take photos, or videos of my child. These images or recordings, as well as student work, may be published in various locations, including the school or the district website. I am aware that the district has no control over any subsequent use or publication of the images, recordings, or student work so published. I am also aware that third parties, such as media or other parents, may take images of my child in school or at school events, and in those instances, the district has no control over the use of those images once they are published.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent or Guardian)

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