



RESPONSIBLE USE POLICY FORM – STUDENTS

In order to access information from the Internet and the school network, students must accept responsibility for proper use of these resources. By signing this Responsible Use Policy, the student agrees to abide by the following rules and regulations of this agreement. **Network users have no expectation of privacy and understand that computer usage is for educational purposes only.**

- Students may access the Network/Internet during supervised class time, study halls, or at the school library for research related to their coursework and consistent with the Binghamton City School District’s primary goals.
- Any use of the school network for illegal activity is prohibited.
- Using computer programs which harass users, infiltrate a computing system, or damage software is prohibited.
- Posting of personal information, including pictures, about themselves or other people is prohibited. Any student who uses a personal communication device on school grounds or school-provided communication device, computer network, or the internet to harass or coerce another person, uses vulgar, obscene, profane, lewd language to communicate such harassment, or threatens an illegal or immoral act shall be subject to disciplinary procedures.
- Users will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the district system or go beyond authorized access.
- Use of profane, obscene, threatening or offensive language in email messages, web pages or social media sties is not permitted.
- Plagiarizing and violating copyright laws are not permitted.
- External e-mail, chat sites, web blogs or journals to communicate with others is not allowed.
- In any instance in which cyberbullying causes a substantial disruption of the work of the school or impinges on the rights of others, the person committing the act shall be subject to disciplinary procedures.

Students who engage in irresponsible use may lose access to the District’s technology system and may be subject to further disciplinary actions including revocation of computer use and additional consequences as deemed appropriate. Parents, please discuss these rules with your child to ensure he or she understands them. Students and staff are required to report to the designated staff incidents to cyberbullying about which they are aware. DASA Coordinators in each school will investigate all reports, using any electronic communications records currently kept by the school district and recommend the next course of action.

I _____ (print student name) have read the above statement and ***agree to responsibly use technology*** and comply with these rules and regulations.

Student’s signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Related Policies 7315 --Student Use of Computerized Information Resources (Responsible Use Policy); 7316—Student Use of Personal Technology; 7550—Dignity for All Students Act; 7552 Bullying in the Schools; 8271—Internet Safety/Internet Content Filtering Policy