



Information Literacy

New Skills for a Changing World

Chapter 1

The Acceptable Use Policy

What is an AUP?

- **An AUP (Acceptable Use Policy)**
 - is the policy that is signed by students, parents, and employees of LISD.
 - deals with your use of the Internet while at school.
- **The link for the AUP for students and staff can be found on**
 - <http://www.lisd.net/technology/index.html>

Why Do We Have an AUP?

- The AUP for students and for employees is to:
 - Keep everyone safe.
 - Make sure that everyone has an equal chance to use the computer network
 - Make sure everyone knows what acceptable behavior is expected while on the computer.

Internet Usage in LISD

- The use of the Internet is a **privilege**, not a **right**. It is intended to. . .
 - provide use of the Internet for learning, teaching and administrative purposes.
 - allow students access for class assignments and research with their teacher's permission and supervision.
- Inappropriate use will result in a **loss** of Internet access.
- Use of the Internet is monitored.
 - Humans and computers are watching your actions while you are on the Internet.

To safeguard users. . .

- Certain web sites that contain inappropriate material will be blocked.
 - Such sites might include pornography, weapons, illegal drugs, gambling, and any other topics deemed to be of non-educational value by the district.
- Violating the following rules will result in being denied access to the District's system.
- Other disciplinary actions may also occur

Policies for Computer Use

- Using someone else's account is not acceptable.
- Illegal activities (such as vandalism, stealing hardware or information electronically or otherwise, copyright infringement, and software piracy) are strictly forbidden.
- Using unauthorized copies of commercial software is not acceptable.
- Copying software provided by LISD for home use is not acceptable.

Policies for Computer Use (cont'd)

- Keep your password to yourself.
- Do not access another individual's materials, information, or files.
- All users are to follow all copyright rules.
- No files may be downloaded without asking the teacher first.
- Student files will be saved to the school's file server in the student's directory.
- Vandalism is not allowed. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm, modify, or destroy computer hardware, data or another user, Internet, or any of the other networks that are connected to the LISD Internet backbone. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.

Rules for Web Use

- Never reveal personal addresses or phone numbers to strangers.
- Do not use the network in such a way that would disrupt the use of the network by other users.
- The use of chatrooms is prohibited.
- Using the network for financial gain, political or commercial activity is prohibited.
- The use of instant messaging services is prohibited.
- Using your LISD account for non-school related activities is not acceptable.
- Never arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone you meet on the Internet.