

NEW LENOX SCHOOL DISTRICT 122

Internet/Computer Consent and Waiver Letter to Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Regarding Student Use

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

We now have the ability to enhance your child's education through the use of the Internet. The Internet offers vast, diverse, and unique resources. The District's goal in providing this service is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. Your authorization is needed before your child may use this resource.

The Internet electronically connects thousands of computers throughout the world and millions of individual subscribers. Students and teachers may have access to:

- Limited electronic mail communications with people all over the world (email)
- Information from government sources, research institutions, and other sources
- Discussion groups
- Many libraries, including the catalog to the Library of Congress, and the Educational Resources Information Clearinghouses (ERIC).

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. You and your child should read the Acceptable Use Policy, Conditions and Authorization for Internet Access and discuss it together. The use of inappropriate material of language, or violation of copyright laws, may result in the loss of the privilege to use this resource. Remember that you are legally responsible for your child's actions.

Utilization or installation of instant messaging or chatrooms by staff or students on district hardware, or utilizing the district network is not allowed without specific approval of the District Superintendent or district designee. (S.B. 6:235)

School District #122 prohibits the access of materials that may be defamatory, inaccurate, offensive, or otherwise inappropriate in the school setting. On an unregulated network, however, it is impossible to control all material and a user may discover inappropriate material. Ultimately, parents and guardians are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their child should follow. To that end, School District #122 supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to authorize Internet access.

Please read and discuss this policy with your child. If you agree to allow your child to have Internet access, sign the Authorization form and return it to your school.