

## Preston Public Schools Acceptable Use Agreement

*I understand that Preston Public Schools provides electronic resources, including Internet access and storage space for students' work, as an integral part of the curriculum. Behavior and language in the use of these resources should be consistent with classroom standards. I agree to the following responsibilities and restrictions:*

1. I will use the electronic resources, including storage space, *only* for educational purposes related to work in Preston schools, and not for *any* personal, commercial, or illegal purposes.
2. I will use the Internet *only* with the permission of the staff member in charge.
3. I will not use games or other electronic resources that have objectionable content that engage me in an inappropriate simulated activity.
4. I will not give my password to any other user, nor attempt to learn or to use anyone else's password, and I will not transmit my address or telephone number, or any personal or confidential information about myself or others.
5. I will not upload, link, or embed an image of myself or others to non-secured, public sites.
6. I will not make statements or use the likeness of another person through website postings, email, instant messages, etc., that harass, intimidate, threaten, insult, libel or ridicule students, teachers, administrators or other staff members of the school community, make statements that are falsely attributed to others, or use language that is obscene.
7. I will not attempt to access, upload, or transmit material that attacks ethnic, religious, or racial groups, or material that is pornographic or explicitly sexual in nature.
8. I will not violate copyright laws, damage or tamper with hardware or software, vandalize or destroy data, intrude upon, alter or destroy the files of another user, introduce or use computer "viruses," attempt to gain access to restricted information or networks, or block, intercept or interfere with any email or electronic communications by teachers and administrators to parents or others.
9. I will not use or create for others any program to interfere with, change, or interact with programs, security settings, systems, or devices that are the property of Preston Public Schools and are used for school-related purposes by students, their parents and staff.
10. I will not imply, directly or indirectly, either publicly or privately, that any program or "app" I create is associated with or a product of Preston Public Schools, nor will I either directly or indirectly associate any such program with any Preston Public Schools logos or images.
11. I will report any problems to the supervising staff member.
12. I understand my use of the school system's computers is not private, and the district reserves the right to monitor use to assure compliance with these guidelines; violations may lead to revocation of computer access and/or other disciplinary measures.
13. I understand the prohibited conduct described above is also prohibited off campus when using private equipment if it has the effect of seriously interfering with the educational process, and such off-campus violations may lead to disciplinary measures.

Print Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents:** *I have read and discussed with my child the Acceptable Use Agreement, and I give permission for him or her to use these resources. I understand that computer access is conditional upon adherence to the guidelines above. Although students are supervised when using these resources, and their use is electronically monitored, I am aware of the possibility that my child may gain access to material that school officials and I may consider inappropriate or not of educational value.*

Print Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Students may not use computers unless this Agreement is signed and returned to the PPMS Main Office.**