

**G11 Computer & Internet Policies**

**COMPUTING AND INTERNET RESOURCES POLICY**

The District #18 Board of Directors declare unethical and unacceptable behavior just cause for taking disciplinary action, revoking networking privileges, and/or initiating legal action for any activity through which an individual:

1. Uses the Network for illegal, inappropriate, or obscene purposes, or in support of such activities. Illegal activities shall be defined as a violation of local, state, and/or federal laws. Inappropriate use shall be defined as a violation of the intended use of the network, and/or purpose and goal. Obscene activities shall be defined as a violation of generally accepted social standards for use of a publicly owned and operated communication vehicle;
2. Uses the Network for any illegal activity, including violation of copyrights or other contracts violating such matters as institutional or third party copyright, license agreements and other contracts;
3. Intentionally disrupts network traffic or crashes the network and connected systems;
4. Degrades or disrupts equipment or system performance; uses District #18 computing resources for commercial or financial gain or fraud;
5. Steals data, equipment, or intellectual property;
6. Gains unauthorized access of others' files, or vandalizes the data of another user;
7. Gains or seeks to gain unauthorized access to resources or entities;
8. Forges electronic mail messages, or uses an account owned by another user; wastefully uses finite resources; invades the privacy of individuals;
9. Posts anonymous messages;
10. Saves any information to public hard drives;
11. Possesses any data which might be considered a violation of these rules in paper, magnetic (disk), or any other form.

**Consequences of Violations**

Consequences of violations include but are not limited to:

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| 1. Suspension of Internet access    | 2. Revocation of Internet access;               |
| 3. Suspension of network Privileges | 4. Revocation of network Privileges;            |
| 5. Suspension of computer access    | 6. Revocation of computer access;               |
| 7. Referral for disciplinary action | 8. Legal action and prosecution by authorities; |

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