

Cerro Gordo School District #100
Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedures

Please read this entire document and then follow the directions at the end to insure your continued use of technology at Cerro Gordo School District.

Cerro Gordo School District #100 is pleased to provide you with access to the Internet, email, digital communications, and other technology. Access to the district's technology must be for the purpose of education or research, and be consistent with the educational objectives of the district. Any other use is unacceptable. For those new to this technology, it is a powerful, world wide network that can be used to send electronic mail, to view and display text, still and moving images, and sound on the World Wide Web, or to post messages to bulletin boards or chat rooms, Internet technology changes constantly. As the Internet changes, Cerro Gordo School District policy will change. The following guidelines will provide you with basic information about your rights and responsibilities as a User of Cerro Gordo School District's technology.

These guidelines and the policies Cerro Gordo School District may adopt in the future are designed to make the school's technology resources available to the entire Cerro Gordo School District community and to help you use those resources responsibly. The use of the District's technology is a privilege, not a right. Your cooperation and adherence to these guidelines and policies is a condition of continued access to Cerro Gordo School District's technology resources. Violation of Cerro Gordo School District's Acceptable Use Policy and Procedures may result in disciplinary action and may have significant legal consequences.

Students are responsible for good behavior on school computer networks just as they are in the classroom, in a school hallway, or library. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply.

The Cerro Gordo School District requires that all individuals using electronic information networks such as the Internet do so within the guidelines of acceptable use. The following activities are unacceptable: (Policy 623)

1. use of electronic information networks for any purpose which results in the harassment of other users,
2. destruction of, damage to or unauthorized alteration of the school's computer equipment software, or network security procedures,
3. use of electronic information networks in any way which violates a Federal or State law,
4. use of electric information networks in any way which violates licensing and payment agreements between this school district and network/database providers,
5. unauthorized duplication of copy protected software or violation of software license agreements,
6. violation of system security
7. behaving in a manner that is disruptive to other users, including but not limited to overuse of computer equipment which serves to deny access to other users,
8. using the network for private financial or commercial gain,

9. using another's account and or password without written permission from that individual.

The District makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. The District will not be responsible for any damages you suffer. This includes loss of data resulting delays, non-deliveries, missed-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its negligence or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at your own risk. The District specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.

The user agrees to indemnify Cerro Gordo School District for any losses, costs, or damages, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by the District relating to, or arising out of, any breach of this Authorization.

I understand and will abide by the above Policy and Procedures for Acceptable Technology Use. I further understand that should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked, and school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken. In consideration for using the District's Internet connection and having access to public networks, I hereby release the School District and its Board Members, employees, and agents from any claims and damages arising from my use, or inability to use the Internet.

Date: _____

User Name (Please Print): _____

User Signature: _____

(Required if the user is a student):

I have read this Acceptable Use of Technology Policy and Procedures. I understand that access is designed for educational purposes and that the District has taken precautions to eliminate controversial material. However, I also recognize it is impossible for the District to restrict access to all controversial and inappropriate materials. I will hold harmless the District, its employees, agents, or Board Members, for any harm caused by materials or software obtained via the network. I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a school setting. I have discussed the terms of this Policy and Procedures with my child. I hereby request that my child be allowed access to the District's Internet.

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____