

NETWORKED INFORMATION RESOURCES

TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY FOR STUDENTS

Users of computers and networks at the International School Nido de Aguilas agree to be bound by this Acceptable Use Policy. As described in Board Policy F3.07, computers and networks at the International School Nido de Aguilas are provided and maintained for educational purposes. Users may access the networks only after submitting a signed Acceptable Use Policy.

Failure to comply with this policy may result in the loss of access to specific technology and/or designated area; extended or permanent loss of privileges; restoration/restitution; administrative and/or Board of Education action, including such serious consequence as suspension, notice to remedy, and expulsion.

Confidentiality

Users must recognize that there is no assurance of confidentiality with respect to access to transmissions and files by persons outside, or from persons inside, the school. Also, the school reserves the right to log and monitor information using Nido technology.

Acceptable Use

I understand that use of any school technology, including access to the Internet, must be in support of education and research, and I agree to the following:

1. I will refrain from accessing any newsgroups, links, list serves, or other areas of cyberspace that would be offensive to any students, teachers, or parents because of pornographic content, racial, ethnic, or minority disparagement, advocating of violence, or illicit/illegal content.
2. Accordingly, I am responsible for monitoring and rejecting any information accessed/received by me that is contrary to the above guidelines.
3. I accept responsibility for keeping copyrighted software from entering the school via the Internet. Therefore, I will not download games, music, graphics, videos, or text materials that are copyrighted.
4. I will use only licensed software programs authorized by the International School Nido de Aguilas. I will not install any other software any Nido de Aguilas computer.
5. Plagiarism is unacceptable. Therefore, I accept responsibility for using downloaded material in an appropriate manner. Violation of copyright laws will not be tolerated. I will not post, distribute, or use without permission material that was created by someone else. Students are reminded that plagiarism is a reason for disciplinary action at the International School Nido de Aguilas.
6. I will be courteous and use appropriate language. Therefore, I will refrain from swearing, or using any forms of obscene, harassing, or abusive language. If I am a victim of such harassment, I will report the abuse immediately to an administrator, a teacher, or a counselor.
7. I will not reveal personal information including addresses and telephone numbers of others or myself.
8. I understand that electronic mail is not guaranteed to be private. Administrators have access to all mail. Messages relating to, or in support of, illegal activities may be reported to appropriate authorities.
9. If I suspect a security problem related to my school's accounts or on the Internet, I will immediately notify a teacher or an administrator. I will not share the security problem with, nor demonstrate the problem to, others.
10. Any user legitimately identified as a security risk, or with a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to the Internet through the International School Nido de Aguilas.
11. No user shall intentionally cause damage to any equipment or software belonging to the International School Nido de Aguilas, or any member of the Nido community. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, the following acts:
 - Tampering, removing, or exchanging any hardware or software from any system.

- Deleting, renaming, removing, copying or changing any file or its properties, other than his/her personally owned files.
- Tampering with installed software and files.
- Attempting to gain access to inappropriate material and files.
- Attempting to change passwords.
- Damaging another individual's work.
- Installing unauthorized software on school technology.
- Violating copyright laws by unauthorized copying of software.
- Installing, copying or knowingly infecting a computer system with a virus.

Consequences of violations may include but are not limited to:

- Suspension or revocation of Internet access
- Suspension or revocation of all network privileges
- Suspension or revocation of all computer access
- Suspension from school
- Expulsion from school
- Legal action and prosecution by the authorities

Conclusion

I understand that the use of the school technology is a privilege and that inappropriate use will result in cancellation of those privileges. I further understand that the Headmaster, in consultation with the Information Technology Director and the school administration, will deem what is inappropriate use and that their decisions are final. Access to technology of any user at any time may be denied at the discretion of the Headmaster as required, to enforce the Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

The International School Nido de Aguilas will not assume liability for:

- Information stored on diskettes, hard drives or servers.
- Information retrieved through school computers, networks or online resources.
- Personal property used to access school computers, networks or online resources.
- Unauthorized financial obligations resulting from use of school resources and accounts to access the Internet.

As the parent or guardian of this student I certify that have read the Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I hereby give my permission to allow access to the network for my child.

Date: _____

Name of Parent (please print): _____ Signature: _____

As a student of at the International School Nido de Aguilas,
I agree to abide by the Acceptable Use Policy.

Date: _____

Name of Student (please print):: _____ Signature: _____