DISTRICT 115 INTERNET AND COMPUTER LAB USE AGREEMENT

Students will not be allowed to use the Computer Lab or Internet until the signature page is returned.
Signatures are legally binding and indicate the parties who signed have read the
terms and conditions carefully and understand their significance.

Internet access is now available to all staff and students in Princeton Elementary District 115. We believe the Internet offers vast, diverse, and unique resources to both staff and students. Our goal in providing this service to staff and students is to promote educational excellence in schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication.

The Internet is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers all over the world and millions of individual subscribers. All staff have access to:
1. Worldwide electronic mail   2. Public domain software and shareware of all types.

All staff and students will have access to:
1. Information, correspondence, and news from NASA and other research institutions,
2. Discussion groups on a wide range of topics,   3. Access to many University library catalogs, the Library of Congress, and special subject search tools,   4. World Wide Web.

With access to computers and people all over the world, also comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. Princeton Elementary District 115 has taken precautions to restrict access to controversial materials. However, on a global network, it is impossible to control all materials and an industrious user may discover controversial information. The educators at Princeton Elementary firmly believe that the valuable information and interaction available on this worldwide network far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of District 115.

Internet access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies, and regional and state networks. The smooth operation of the network relies upon the proper conduct of the end users who must adhere to strict guidelines. Guidelines are provided here so that you are aware of the responsibilities you are about to acquire. This requires efficient, ethical, and legal utilization of the network resources. If a District 115 user violates any of these provisions, his or her **computer privileges will be terminated, and can be held subject to disciplinary consequences outlined in the student handbook**.

Terms and conditions for Internet use:

ACCEPTABLE USE - The purpose of the Internet is to support research and education in and among academic institutions in the U.S. by providing access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work. Use of the Internet must be in support of education and research and consistent with the educational objectives of District 115. Use of other organization's network or computing resources must comply with the rules appropriate for that network. Transmission of any material in violation of any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret. Use for commercial activities, product advertisement, or political lobbying is prohibited.

PRIVILEGES - The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges. Each student who uses the Internet will be under the supervision of a faculty member and involved in a discussion pertaining to the proper use of the network. Based upon the acceptable use guidelines outlined in this document, the Technology Team consisting of the network system administrators, faculty, and the school principal, will deem what is acceptable use and their decision is final.

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The administration faculty, and staff of District 115 may request the system administrator to deny, revoke, or suspend Internet access.

Network storage areas may be treated like school lockers. Network administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and insure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files may always be private. Network administrators may, at their sole discretion, remove any material which they believe may be unlawful, obscene, pornographic, abusive, or otherwise objectionable.

NETWORK ETIQUETTE - You are expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to:

1. Be polite. Do not get abusive in your messages to others.,
2. Use appropriate language.,   Do not   wear, use vulgarities, or any other inappropriate language.,   Illegal activities are strictly forbidden.,
3. Do not reveal your personal address or phone numbers of students or staff members.,
4. Note that e-mail is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system do have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.,
5. Do not disrupt the use of the network by other users.,
6. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.

RELIABILITY - District 115 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 from delays, non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at your own risk. District 115 specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through the Internet.

SECURITY - Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. If you feel you can identify a security problem on the Internet, you must notify a system administrator or the office. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Attempts to log in under any procedures not sanctions by the system administrators or to use another's login or password will result in the cancellation of all user privileges. Any user identified as a security risk may be denied access to the Internet.

VANDALISM - Vandalism will result in cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user on any of the computers connected on the Internet network. This includes, but not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.

SOFTWARE - Computer software is protected by copyright laws and users are not to make unauthorized copies of software found on school computers, either by copying them onto their own diskettes or onto other computers.

DOWNLOADING - There will be no downloading onto any hard drives or diskettes.

PRINTING - It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that printed documents do not exceed ten pages in length and to ask for permission to print the document(s) if it is more than ten pages in length. There is an option to pay 15 cents a page for a document over ten pages that has not been authorized for printing.

USE - Use of the Internet will be only under the direction of the staff member in charge of the Internet system or the classroom teacher. Students **and staff** may not use the Internet for Internet Relay Chat (IRC), network games, i.e. Multi-user Dungeon (MUDS), mailing list, personal e-mail, or bulletin board services.

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STUDENT

I have read and agree to abide by the Internet Use Agreement. I understand any violation of regulations is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation of this agreement, my access privileges will be revoked, school disciplinary action may be taken, and legal action may be taken.

I also understand that using computers at Logan Junior High is a privilege. I agree to treat the equipment and my fellow classmates with respect. I also agree to log into only my own files and to use language and ideas appropriate to the classroom. I will follow school policy regarding Internet use. I further agree to use only my assigned computer unless the teacher assigns me to another.

Furthermore, I understand that misbehavior in the computer lab will result in disciplinary action and permanent loss of computer privileges, in which case I would have to complete all class work by longhand.

PARENT/GUARDIAN

As parent/guardian of this student, I have read the Internet Use agreement. I understand access is designed for educational purposes and District 115 has taken precautions to eliminate controversial material. However, I also recognize it is impossible for the school district to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold the school district responsible for materials acquired from technology systems. I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a school setting. I give permission to issue an account for my child and certify the information contained on this form is correct.

SPONSORING TEACHER

I have read the Internet Use Agreement and agree to promote it with the student. I cannot be held responsible for a student's use on technology systems. As sponsoring teacher, I do agree to instruct the student on acceptable use of the network and proper network etiquette.

PARENT / GUARDIAN / STUDENT SIGNATURE

I have read and understand all the Computer Lab requirements. I understand that I must complete and sign the signature page and return it to Logan before my child may use the computer lab or Internet at Logan.

<u>INTERNET USE AGREEMENT</u>
<u>LOGAN STAFF</u>

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Teacher/Staff Name
(print)_____

Teacher/Staff Signature _____ Date _____