

## Hatboro-Horsham School District

### AUP Acknowledgment

#### Expectations for Grades 3-5 Students

Digital citizenship is the term we use to describe the right ways to behave and act when using technology. When I am at school or using technology provided to me by my school, I understand the expectations for digital citizenship. This includes understanding and acknowledging the following:

1. Technology use for school is a privilege. Not all students have access to the same technology or use technology the same way. It is okay if others use technology differently than I do. I will not make changes or modifications to these that would impact my own or others' ability to use them.
2. When I use technology, it is possible to access things on the Internet or receive messages from others that make me feel uncomfortable. I understand what bullying is and the serious consequences for bullying others. I will not use technology in a way that causes embarrassment or discomfort for others. The school district may choose to monitor my communications and use of the network to make sure I am using it responsibly.
3. The technology provided by Hatboro-Horsham School District is for my learning and schoolwork. It is not for non-educational use. Access to the Internet is a shared resource, and when I use it for things that are not essential to my schoolwork it can limit Internet access for others who need it for learning. Also, I understand that my technology use must be balanced with other activities both in and out of school as part of a healthy lifestyle.
4. I will not respond to messages that are mean or that make me feel uncomfortable. If I get a message that is not appropriate, I will speak to an adult.
5. I will not buy things online.
6. My technology use can impact other people. I will make sure that all of my actions have positive effects on others. When I use technology, I will use only my accounts, and identify myself for other users on our network when I interact with them. For my safety, I will not create new accounts and will not share passwords with others. I have the responsibility to respect and protect the rights of every other technology user at my school and on the Internet including respect for others' privacy.
7. I will check with my teacher or my parents before downloading or installing software or other applications. Many harmful things can be downloaded from the Internet. These could put my technology and my safety at risk.
8. Although I may be able to access many resources like photos, pictures, videos, music, and text online, I may not be able to copy or reuse these in any way that I would like. I will ask my teacher or an adult if I'm not sure about using something I found on the Internet in a school assignment.
9. I am willing to assist others with technology and share with others what I have learned.

#### Personal Electronic Devices:

Our schools have a "guest network" that allows people from outside the school district to access the Internet when they visit. This network is not intended for student use. At school, district devices are provided and should be utilized.

Your personal electronic devices are your responsibility. HHSD has no responsibility for the physical device, its operation, and any damage/corruption of data.

Adapted from:

Hatboro-Horsham School District Policy 815, "Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers, and Network Resources."

Ribble, M. (2016). Nine Themes of Digital Citizenship. Retrieved from: [http://digitalcitizenship.net/Nine\\_Elements.html](http://digitalcitizenship.net/Nine_Elements.html)

Expectations for acceptable use still apply. Policy 815: <http://www.hatboro-horsham.org/Page/287>

**AUP Online Form Completed by Grades 3-5 Elementary Parent:**

\*\*\*For Parents of Elementary School Students\*\*\*

I have read the Hatboro-Horsham School District Acceptable Use of the Computers, Network, Internet, Electronic Communications and Technical Services Policy and the Acknowledgement Statement(s).

**Policy 815 and Acknowledgement Statements found at:** <http://www.hatboro-horsham.org/Page/287>

I have read the **Care of School Property Policy 224** found at: <http://www.hatboro-horsham.org/Page/13622>

I have also discussed the requirements of this Policy with my child. I will also instruct my child about any additional restrictions I (we) may have. I will emphasize to my child the importance of following the rules. I hereby release the School District, its personnel, and any institutions with which it is affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use, the School District Network, including, but not limited to, claims that may arise from his or her unauthorized use of the School District Network. I understand if my child fails to comply with this policy or makes inappropriate use of the Internet, district network or computers it may result in usage restrictions, loss of access privileges, disciplinary action, and/or legal proceedings.

I acknowledge that my child will be issued a district account for educational use and certify that the information contained in this form is correct.

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