



**Policy:** IJNDC  
**Subject:** Acceptable Use of Technology-  
Student

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### **Policy:**

The Red River Valley School Division Board of Trustees acknowledges the important role that Technology plays in education, and that there must be guidelines established for the protection of our students.

### **Protocol:**

The use of technology in the Red River Valley School Division is a privilege, not a right. Any action by a user specifically prohibited in this document or determined by a system administrator to constitute an inappropriate use of a computer system or network system, which includes cyberbullying, is subject to consequences. Depending on the seriousness of the user's offense, consequences will be administered as stipulated in the school handbook.

### **Procedure:**

While using Divisional information systems, the student must:

- Use the electronic information system for educational purposes only.
- Not attempt to harm, modify without system administrator approval, gain unauthorized access to division systems or data, destroy software, or interfere with system security.
- Not submit, publish, display or retrieve/download any inappropriate material, including material that is defamatory, abusive, obscene, profane, gang-related, sexually threatening, racially offensive or illegal.
- Notify a system administrator if a password is lost or stolen, or if there is reason to believe that someone has obtained unauthorized access to the system.
- Not use the network in a way that would disrupt the use of the network by others, including downloading, storing, distributing, or sharing any software or digital file (such as movies, music, or text) in violation of copyright laws.
- Not use the system to make any unauthorized purchases or to conduct any non-approved business.
- Not use another's password or attempt to access another's folders, work or files.
- Not intentionally waste limited resources.
- Abide by all copyright, trademark, and license restrictions.
- Follow all School Policies and Student Handbooks as written.

In addition to the above, the Board recognizes that activities that may be considered harmful can also take place on other personal electronic devices. Cyberbullying is defined as the use of technology to bully, embarrass, threaten or harass another. It also includes the use of information and communication technology to engage in behavior that is derogatory, defamatory, degrading, illegal and/or abusive. As such, students must:

- Refrain from any behavior that may be considered cyberbullying
- Understand that e-mail should not be considered absolutely secure or private.
- Not reveal student personal information.
- Understand that computer activities may be monitored and tracked.