



2017-18 Moody ISD Responsible Use Principles for Students

At Moody ISD, we use technology as one way of enhancing the mission to teach the skills, knowledge, and behaviors students will need to succeed in the global community of the 21st Century. These technologies may include, but are not limited to, district-provided equipment as well as personal devices (computers, tablets, cell phones, laptops, netbooks, e-readers, and more).

We recognize that there are guidelines for students to use new technologies in a meaningful, safe, and responsible way. But with these new opportunities come new responsibilities. We want students to embrace the following principles so they may become responsible, digital citizens.

In accepting the MISD Responsible Use Principles agreement, students acknowledge the following rules and conditions:

Technology will be used in a meaningful, safe, and responsible way.

- The MISD student understands that he or she, if in third grade or above, will be assigned an individual account and he or she is responsible for not sharing the password. If the student is in second grade or below, he or she will have access through a class account.
- The MISD student understands that he or she may not use someone's account.
- The MISD student represents the school district in all online activities. The student understands that what he or she does on social networking websites should not reflect negatively on fellow students, teachers, or on the District.
- The MISD student will use technology resources productively and appropriately for school-related purposes. He/she will avoid using any technology resource in such a way that would disrupt the activities of other users.
- The MISD student will use email and other means of communications (e.g. blogs, wikis, podcasting, chat, instant-messaging, discussion boards, virtual learning environments, etc.) responsibly.
- The MISD student understands that he or she will not disable, attempt to disable or bypass any Internet content filtering.
- The MISD student understands that District administrators will deem what conduct is inappropriate use if such conduct is not specified in this agreement.

Technology will be used in accordance with the laws of the United States and the State of Texas:

- Criminal acts – These include, but are not limited to, “hacking” or attempting to access computer systems without authorization, harassing email, cyberbullying, cyberstalking, child pornography, vandalism, and/or unauthorized tampering with computer systems.
- Libel laws - Publicly defaming people through the published material on the Internet, email, etc.
- Copyright violations - Copying, selling or distributing copyrighted material without the express written permission of the author or publisher (users should assume that all materials available on the Internet are protected by copyright), engaging in plagiarism (using other's words or ideas as your own).

The MISD student understands and will abide by the above Responsible Use Principles. Should the student commit a violation, he/she understands that consequences of his/her actions could include suspension of computer privileges, disciplinary action, and/or referral to law enforcement.

RETURN THIS PAGE

Student Name: _____ (Please Print) Grade: _____

I have read the District's Responsible Use Principles for students and agree to abide by them. In consideration for the privilege of my child using the District's technology resources, and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the District, its operators, and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use, the system, including, without limitation, the type of damage identified in the District's policy and administrative regulations.

PARENT – PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE OF THE STATEMENTS BELOW:

____ **YES**, I give permission for my child to participate in the District's technology resources.

____ **NO**, I do **not** give permission for my child to participate in the District's technology resources.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Home phone number: _____

I have read the District's Responsible Use Principles and agree to abide by their provisions.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____