

General

Internet access and interconnected computer systems are available to the District's students and faculty. Electronic networks, including access to the Internet, are a part of the District's instructional program in order to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication.

In order for the District to be able to continue to make its computer network and Internet access available, all users, including students must take responsibility for appropriate and lawful use of this access. Students utilizing school-provided Internet access are responsible for good behavior on-line. The same general rules for behavior apply to students' use of District-provided computer systems. Students must understand that one student's misuse of the network and Internet access may jeopardize the ability of all students to enjoy such access. While the District's teachers and other staff will make reasonable efforts to supervise use of network and Internet access, they must have student cooperation in exercising and promoting responsible use of this access. Students will be required to sign and abide by the Appropriate Use agreement (360.00F) on an annual basis.

Curriculum

In accordance with this policy and the Board's philosophy to ensure the safety of all students, the District shall provide an appropriate planned instructional component for internet safety which shall be integrated into the District's regular instructional program. The purpose of the program is to increase students' knowledge of safe practices for internet use.

The use of the District's electronic networks shall be consistent with the curriculum adopted by the District, as well as the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of the students, and shall comply with the selection criteria for instructional materials and library-media center materials. Staff members may, consistent with the District's educational goals, use the Internet throughout the curriculum.

The District's electronic network is part of the curriculum and is not a public forum for general use.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Idaho Code §§ 18-1514, 18-2202, 33-131

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REFER TO: 360.00A & 360.00F

**CROSS REFERENCE: Policy 226.00 Idaho Digital Learning Academy IDLA Classes
Policy 372.00 Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bulling
Policy 362.00 Student Use of Personal Electronic Communication Devices.**

