



Browning Elementary/South Lancaster Academy's access to the Internet provides benefits to students, teachers, administrators, and staff in our school. Our goal in providing this service is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, exploration, innovation, and communication through our direct Internet connection. The Internet is an electronic connection to millions of computers and individuals in the world. With this access comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value. Special precautions have been taken and controls are in place to restrict access to controversial materials. The use of computers and Internet access is a privilege and not a right. We require that all students and their parents/guardians sign a binding agreement which acknowledges that they have read the Rules of Conduct of acceptable use and understand their inherent responsibilities.

Rules of Conduct

1. Use of computers in the school buildings is limited to educational purposes.
2. Personal privacy must be protected. Use of personal information must not be revealed (i.e., addresses and phone numbers).
3. Discriminatory or obscene language is prohibited.
4. Harassing, insulting, or attacking others is prohibited.
5. Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures is prohibited.
6. Copyrighted material must not be downloaded without the author's permission. Only authorized system operators will be allowed to download or install programs to the system.
7. E-mail is not guaranteed to be private. System administrators may need to access files for the maintenance of the computer facilities.
8. Vandalism of any kind will result in termination of computer privileges and repayment of cost of repair/replacement of hardware and/or software destroyed. Student will be referred to the school discipline committee. Vandalism is defined as any attempt to harm or damage computers, computer systems, or computer networks or to infiltrate another computer system. This includes intentionally creating or uploading computer viruses.
9. Any user who does not choose to comply with the Rules of Conduct will lose computer privileges for a period of time to be determined by Discipline Committee. Repeated infractions may result in permanent termination of computer and/or Internet privileges. Standard disciplinary procedures of Browning Elementary/South Lancaster Academy will apply.

I have read the Rules of Conduct and agree to comply with these rules. Should I violate these rules, my computer privileges at Browning Elementary/South Lancaster Academy may be revoked.

Student Signature

Date

As the parent or legal guardian of this student, I have read this policy and agree to the terms.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date