

Student Name : _____ Homeroom Teacher Name: _____

Haynes Bridge Middle School Acceptable Use Policy – Technology Agreement

Haynes Bridge Middle School/Fulton County offers Internet access for students to use for educational purposes. The “educational purpose” includes classroom activities and assignments, career development and limited high quality self-discovery exploration. Access is a privilege – not a right. Access entails responsibility. Listed below are guidelines to follow to prevent the loss of network privileges at Haynes Bridge Middle School:

Students are only issued a user name and password upon return of the signed Haynes Bridge Technology/Acceptable Use Policy.

Students are prohibited from:

- 1) Physically damaging and/or altering the configuration of the computer or the network in any way.
- 2) Interfering with the operation of the network by installing illegal software, shareware, freeware, or viruses.
- 3) Violating copyright laws.
- 4) Accessing, creating, downloading or displaying offensive and/or threatening messages or pictures.
- 5) Using another person’s username or password
- 6) Printing without permission
- 7) Trespassing in another person's folders, work, or files.
- 8) Playing games, or using the computer resources for other non-academic activities.
- 9) Typing in URL addresses without permission
- 10) Accessing personal email, social networks, blogs, or chat rooms without permission
- 11) Giving out personal information about themselves, or another student, such as their name, address, phone number or location.
- 12) Gaining unauthorized access to resources (including using websites or proxy sites that allow the filter to be bypassed.)
- 13) Downloading copyrighted music to their account from external mp3 players, the network, flash drives, or any other method.
- 14) Downloading personal pictures to their account without authorization and supervision of their teacher.

Please refer to http://www.fultonschools.org/itdivision/pdf/high_and%20middle_aup.pdf in order to view the entire Acceptable Use Document for Fulton County.

Pertinent excerpts from this document are listed below:

Consequences:

These offenses will be treated as vandalism. Consult your student handbook to understand the related disciplinary actions. In the least, the offenses above could result in the student being denied access to the network for a specific period of time. The overall goal of this discipline is to make the student a responsible, considerate and ethical user of online resources.

Conditions of Use and Account Management:

Students who access the LAN automatically agree, through a statement on the computer screen, to abide by the restrictions outlined in Fulton County School's policy for acceptable use. The specific conditions and services being offered may change from time to time.

Fulton County Schools makes no warranties with respect to Internet service or content. Parents and students should be aware that Fulton County Schools does not have control of the information on the Internet, nor can it provide impenetrable barriers to accessing the full range of information available. Other sites accessible via the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or potentially offensive to some people.

All Fulton County Schools students will be assigned their own network account name with password. Passwords should not be given out to anybody.

With this account, students will have their own folder on the school's server to store their work. Parent(s) or guardian(s) of students who do not wish their child to have access to the LAN and Internet at Fulton County Schools should not sign this agreement..

Fulton County Schools believes that the benefits to educators and students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, far exceed any disadvantages of access. Fulton County Schools has also minimized these disadvantages by utilizing filtering software to block access to undesirable web sites.

**Please read the above carefully before signing.
This is a legally binding document.**

Violations of the above guidelines may result in disciplinary action including detention, in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension, revocation of user privileges, and/or referral to other offices or agencies when applicable.

I understand and agree to abide by the above guidelines.

Student signature _____

Parent Name (Printed): _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____