



Parent/Student Information Handbook

Farmersville Unified
School District

2020-2021

or evaluation. (Education Code 51513, 60614; 20 USC 1232h)

FEES: No student shall be required to pay fee, deposit, or other charge for his/her participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities. (Educational Code 49010, 49011; 5 CCR 350)

CHILD NUTRITION: SCHOOL MEALS: To assure that the nutritional requirements of students is enhanced by a program of food supplementation while attending school. Applications for breakfast and lunch meals are available and should be returned to the school office. All meals served are free to all students. School lunch menus are now available on the District website, as well as healthy links for student nutrition.

MEDIA USE OF STUDENT IMAGE, LIKENESS OR WORK: Recordings/Reproducing student images and/or student work -District students involved in academic performance, athletic or other school activities during or outside the school day may be photographed or electronically recorded. The means of recording and storing student images include, but are not limited to photography, videotape, film, digital image capture, audio recording, computers, digital media and other recording, capture and storage. The recorded images may be used to portray a publicize school events, for use in print, broadcast or internet based media, for use in a yearbook or other school publication, for use on the World Wide Web, community or for some other public venue. Student school work and student property may also be photographed or recorded for the same purposes.

Guidelines for Use - Individual and group student images, student academic work, written work, artwork, photography, video work, science work or projects may be published in print online, on the internet, in video/multimedia productions, shown or displayed at exhibits, conventions or competitive events and/or broadcast on television or in theatres. The exhibition of student's images or student work will be at the discretion of the school administration for the purpose of advancing and/or enhancing our students, their work and our school/district, or for information purposes.

Granting permission means the student's image or work to be reproduced for the purposes outlined above by Farmersville Unified School District.

Declining permission means the student's image or work cannot be reproduced by the Farmersville Unified School District to include, but not be limited to, yearbooks, news, media, school/activity photos, student academic/athletic recognition, district/school website use, or any other purpose. If you do not wish your child to be included in any of the above, you must notify the school site principal in writing by August 30th.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS IN SCHOOLS: Hallways, outdoor areas, parking lots, and playgrounds may be under camera surveillance at sites, for safety purposes. Video-tapes may be used as evidence for student discipline purposes.

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS POLICY: The Board recognizes the health hazards associated with smoking and the use of tobacco products, including the breathing of second-hand smoke, and desires to provide a healthy environment for students and staff. The board prohibits the use of tobacco products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property and in district vehicles. This prohibition applies to all employees, students and visitors at any instructional program, activity or athletic event.

Prohibited products include any product containing tobacco or nicotine, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew, clove cigarettes, betel, and nicotine delivery devices such as electronic cigarettes. Exceptions may be made for the use or possession of prescription nicotine products. Smoking or use of any tobacco-related products and disposal of any tobacco-related waste are prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. (Board Policy 3513.3)

A person who violates the district's policy on tobacco-free schools shall be informed of the district's policy and asked to refrain from smoking. If the person fails to comply with this request, the Superintendent or designee may:

2. Request local law enforcement assistance in removing the person from school premises
3. If the person repeatedly violates the tobacco-free schools policy, prohibit him/her from entering district property for a specified period of time

STATE FUNDS FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS: The District may help pay for all or part of the costs of one or more advanced placement examinations that are charged to economically disadvantaged students pursuant to Education Code 52242.

CAL GRANT PROGRAM/ STUDENT OPT OUT

In order to be considered for a Cal Grant, California public high schools and charter schools are required to submit a high school Grade Point Average (GPA) to the California Student Aid Commission by October 1 for all graduating seniors, unless the student or parent has opted out. California Education Code section 69432.9 requires the school district or charter school, to notify all grade 11 pupils and their parent/guardian (if under the age of 18), in writing and no later than January 1 of a pupil's grade 11 academic year, that the pupil will be deemed a Cal Grant applicant unless the pupil has opted by completing the Cal Grant GPA Opt-Out Form prior to November 1 of the



ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF DISTRICT FROM LIABILITY (STUDENTS)

The Farmersville Unified School District authorizes students to use technology owned or otherwise provided by the district as necessary for instructional purposes. The use of district technology is a privilege permitted at the district's discretion and is subject to the conditions and restrictions set forth in applicable Board policies, administrative regulations, and this Acceptable Use Agreement. The district reserves the right to suspend access at any time, without notice, for any reason.

The district expects all students to use technology responsibly in order to avoid potential problems and liability. The district may place reasonable restrictions on the sites, material, and/or information that students may access through the system.

Each student who is authorized to use district technology and his/her parent/guardian shall sign this Acceptable Use Agreement as an indication that they have read and understand the agreement.

Definitions

District technology includes, but is not limited to, computers, the district's computer network including servers and wireless computer networking technology (wi-fi), the Internet, email, USB drives, wireless access points (routers), tablet computers, smartphones and smart devices, telephones, cellular telephones, personal digital assistants, pagers, MP3 players, wearable technology, any wireless communication device including emergency radios, and/or future technological innovations, whether accessed on or off site or through district-owned or personally owned equipment or devices.

Student Obligations and Responsibilities

Students are expected to use district technology safely, responsibly, and for educational purposes only. The student in whose name district technology is issued is responsible for its

proper use at all times. Students shall not share their assigned online services account information, passwords, or other information used for identification and authorization purposes, and shall use the system only under the account to which they have been assigned.

Students are prohibited from using district technology for improper purposes, including, but not limited to, use of district technology to:

1. Access, post, display, or otherwise use material that is discriminatory, libelous, defamatory, obscene, sexually explicit, or disruptive
2. Bully, harass, intimidate, or threaten other students, staff, or other individuals ("cyberbullying")

3. Disclose, use, or disseminate personal identification information (such as name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other personal information) of another student, staff member, or other person with the intent to threaten, intimidate, harass, or ridicule that person
4. Infringe on copyright, license, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property rights
5. Intentionally disrupt or harm district technology or other district operations (such as destroying district equipment, placing a virus on district computers, adding or removing a computer program without permission from a teacher or other district personnel, changing settings on shared computers)
6. Install unauthorized software
7. "Hack" into the system to manipulate data of the district or other users
8. Engage in or promote any practice that is unethical or violates any law or Board policy, administrative regulation, or district practice

Privacy

Since the use of district technology is intended for educational purposes, students shall not have any expectation of privacy in any use of district technology.

The district reserves the right to monitor and record all use of district technology, including, but not limited to, access to the Internet or social media, communications sent or received from district technology, or other uses. Such monitoring/recording may occur at any time without prior notice for any legal purposes including, but not limited to, record retention and distribution and/or investigation of improper, illegal, or prohibited activity. Students should be aware that, in most instances, their use of district technology (such as web searches and emails) cannot be erased or deleted.

All passwords created for or used on any district technology are the sole property of the district. The creation or use of a password by a student on district technology does not create a reasonable expectation of privacy.

Personally Owned Devices

If a student uses a personally owned device to access district technology, he/she shall abide by all applicable Board policies, administrative regulations, and this Acceptable Use Agreement. Any such use of a personally owned device may subject the contents of the device and any communications sent or received on the device to disclosure pursuant to a lawful subpoena or public records request.

Reporting

If a student becomes aware of any security problem (such as any compromise of the confidentiality of any login or account information) or misuse of district technology, he/she shall immediately report such information to the teacher or other district personnel.

Consequences for Violation

Violations of the law, Board policy, or this agreement may result in revocation of a student's access to district technology and/or discipline, up to and including suspension or expulsion. In addition, violations of the law, Board policy, or this agreement may be reported to law enforcement agencies as appropriate.

Student Acknowledgment

I have received, read, understand, and agree to abide by this Acceptable Use Agreement and other applicable laws and district policies and regulations governing the use of district technology. I understand that there is no expectation of privacy when using district technology. I further understand that any violation may result in loss of user privileges, disciplinary action, and/or appropriate legal action.

Name: _____ Grade: _____
(Please print)

School: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Acknowledgment

If the student is under 18 years of age, a parent/guardian must also read and sign the agreement.

As the parent/guardian of the above-named student, I have read, understand, and agree that my child shall comply with the terms of the Acceptable Use Agreement. By signing this Agreement, I give permission for my child to use district technology and/or to access the school's computer network and the Internet. I understand that, despite the district's best efforts, it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all offensive and controversial materials. I agree to release from liability, indemnify, and hold harmless the school, district, and district personnel against all claims, damages, and costs that may result from my child's use of district technology or the failure of any technology protection measures used by the district. Further, I accept full responsibility for supervision of my child's use of his/her access account if and when such access is not in the school setting.

Name: _____ Date: _____
(Please print)

Signature: _____