



STUDENT ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

Introduction:

Electronic information resources are available to qualifying students at KIPP TRUTH Academy. These resources include access to the Internet and other network files or accounts. Our goal in providing electronic services to students is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication.

Scope:

Internet access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies as well as regional and state networks. Worldwide access to computers and people may involve the availability of materials considered to be inappropriate, illegal, or of no educational value. On a global network it is virtually impossible to control all materials. However, through a filtering and monitoring system, KIPP TRUTH Academy has taken precautions to restrict access to inappropriate materials. Users who access, publish, or attempt to access or publish inappropriate material or illegal Internet sites, will be subject to discipline; which may include the possibility of suspension or expulsion.

The smooth operation of the network is dependent upon the proper conduct of the users who must adhere to strict guidelines, rules, and regulations. Such are provided so that student users are aware of the responsibilities they are about to accept. In general, their responsibilities necessitate acceptable, ethical, and appropriate utilization of the electronic network resources.

Terms and Conditions of this Acceptable Use Agreement:

Each student using school Internet or network resources will participate in a discussion with his or her sponsoring teacher regarding proper behavior and use of the Internet and network and computer equipment. The student signature at the end of this Acceptable Use Agreement is legally binding. The combined signatures also indicate the student and parent/guardian have carefully read and understood the terms and conditions of appropriate use and thereby agree to abide.

1. **Acceptable Use:** Acceptable use means that a student uses computers, the Internet, and other electronic information resources in an appropriate manner, abiding by the rules and regulations as described in this agreement.
2. **Privileges:** The use of computer equipment and electronic information resources is a privilege, not a right. Inappropriate use of these resources may result in disciplinary action (including the possibility of suspension or expulsion) and/or referral to legal authorities. The principal, teacher/supervisor, or systems administrator may limit, suspend, or revoke access to electronic resources at any time.
3. **Unacceptable Network Use:** Transmission or intentional receipt of any inappropriate material or material in violation of law or school/district policy is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material; threatening or obscene material; material protected by trade secrets; commercial activities by for-profit institutions; use of product advertisement or political lobbying, including lobbying for student body office; the design or detailed information pertaining to explosive devices, criminal activities or terrorist acts; sexism or sexual harassment; pornography; gambling; illegal solicitation; racism; and inappropriate language. Illegal or inappropriate activities, including games, use of the network in any way that would disrupt network use by others, or activities of any kind that do not conform to the rules, regulations, and policies of KIPP TRUTH Academy, are forbidden.
4. **Vandalism:** Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy property of the user, another user, or of any other agencies or networks that are connected to the network or the Internet system. Vandalism also includes, but is not limited to: abusive overloading of data on the server, or the uploading, downloading, or creation of computer viruses. Any engagement in computer or network vandalism constitutes unacceptable use and will subject the student to appropriate disciplinary action.
5. **Security:** Security on any computer system is a high priority because of multiple users. Any security



concern must be reported to the principal, teacher/supervisor, or systems administrator.

6. **Privacy:** It is advised that students not reveal personal information, such as: home address, phone numbers, password, credit card numbers or social security number, etc.; this also applies to others' personal information or that of organizations.
7. **Service Disclaimer:** KIPP TRUTH Academy makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. KIPP TRUTH Academy will not be responsible for any damages the student may suffer while using computer equipment or its electronic information systems. These damages may include, but are not limited to: loss of data as a result of delays, non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by the system or by student error or omission. Use of any information obtained via the information system is at the student's own risk. KIPP TRUTH Academy specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy of information obtained through electronic information resources.

STUDENT AGREEMENT:

Rules of conduct are described in this "Student Acceptable Use Agreement for KIPP TRUTH Academy" and apply when computer equipment and/or the electronic information systems are in use. I understand any violations of the above provisions will result in the revocation of access to computer equipment, the network, and/or Internet and may result in further disciplinary and/or legal action; including, but not limited to, suspension or expulsion or referral to legal authorities. I therefore agree to maintain acceptable standards and to report any misuse of the system to the appropriate teacher or administrator.

Misuse or violation of this agreement comes in many forms, but can be viewed as any messages, information, or graphics sent or received that include/suggest pornography, unethical or illegal solicitation, racism, sexism, inappropriate language, and/or other listings previously described in this user agreement. I agree to report any misuse of computer equipment or electronic information resources to my principal, teacher/supervisor, or systems administrator.

I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and understand that Internet sites are filtered and that Internet use on school computer equipment may be monitored. I hereby agree to comply with the above described conditions of acceptable use.

Student Name (please print): _____ Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN AGREEMENT:

As the parent or guardian of the above named student, **I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and understand that Internet sites are filtered and that network and Internet activity will be monitored.** I understand my child may be disciplined for inappropriate or unacceptable use of computer equipment or electronic information resources. I further understand that student use of computer equipment and electronic information resource systems is designed for educational purposes. I understand that it is impossible for KIPP TRUTH Academy to filter or restrict access to all inappropriate materials. I will not hold KIPP TRUTH Academy responsible for inappropriate or unacceptable materials my child may acquire on the network system.

I hereby give my permission and approve the use of computer equipment, the network, and the Internet by my child at KIPP TRUTH Academy.

Parent or Guardian Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____