Mount Vernon Schools

Technology Appropriate Use Guidelines
<u>Student Acceptable Use Policy</u>

I accept the full rights and responsibilities of digital citizenship

- I behave civilly and respectfully toward people online, just as I treat people courteously face-to-face.
- I keep my right to access the Internet at school by using it responsibly.
- I don't send my name, address or phone number to anyone online, just as I don't give personal information to strangers.
- I keep my username and password to myself, just as I don't give my house keys to a stranger.
- I include others in digital learning projects whether or not they have a computer, just as I want team members to include me.
- I do not post hurtful or offensive material on the internet, just as I don't put insulting or hurtful graffiti on the wall of my room.
- I turn off my cell phone in class when the teacher asks, just as I do at the movies to avoid disturbing others.
- I will not delete or damage digital content that belongs to someone else, just as I will not harm someone physically.
- I will not cheat or steal the ideas, work, music or art of someone else, just as I don't want someone to take credit for the work I create.

Here's what you can do online
Go to the Internet sites your teacher provides and use the e-tools on your PC to:

- Create files, e-projects, videos, web pages and podcasts for class projects.
- Create content for classroom databases, blogs, wikis, bulletin boards, social networking sites, online communities, web pages and email.
- Publish your school work on the school website – if your parent or guardian gives us permission.

Here's what we do not allow
Do not sabotage the network

- Actions that harm the integrity of the school network and its resources, such as hacking, cracking and vandalizing.
- Actions that use our information or equipment inappropriately or illegally.

Do not target, torment, threaten, harass, humiliate, embarrass or endanger others

- Actions that bully someone through our email or on the web.
- Actions that communicate hate or discriminatory ideas, including jokes and remarks.
- Actions that threaten or could harm others. For example: How to make a bomb or manufacture illicit drugs.
- Actions that access, upload/download, store or distribute obscene, pornographic or sexually explicit material.

Safe on the street. Safe online. Same thing.

- It's a world wide web and nothing on it is truly private. So, be smart about what you share. Keep information about yourself and others to your online self. You wouldn't hand it over to a stranger on the street. Same thing over the Internet.

Remote/Virtual Learning Sessions and Online Meetings

- For the safety and protection of students and staff, all online class sessions and meetings will be recorded.

I have learned about, understand, and will follow the Student Acceptable Use Policy.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Teacher Signature _____ Date _____

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Please review the Student Acceptable Use Policy with your children.

Mount Vernon is an "Opt Out" school district. Please sign and return only if you **DO NOT** want your student to have access to the Internet and to publish works online.

___ I **do not** want my student, _____, to have access to the Internet.
(Student's Name)

___ I **do not** want my student, _____, to publish works on the school/district website.
(Student's Name)

___ I **do not** want my student, _____, to be recorded in online classes and meetings.
(Student's Name)

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____