STUDENT NETWORK ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (AUP)
ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC INFORMATION, SERVICES, AND NETWORKS

Carroll Consolidated School Corporation’s Information Technology Resources system shall be referred to as the CCSC “Network.” The Network includes all computing systems, personal computers and components, printers and all peripheral equipment, all electronic documents and files, network servers and the information contained therein, and all user accounts and passwords. The CCSC Network also provides access to the World Wide Web (“Internet”) through content filtering software in an attempt to limit access to inappropriate Internet sites. All Internet activity is logged and will be periodically reviewed for appropriateness.

It is the policy of the Corporation to: (a) prevent user access over its computer network to, or transmission of, inappropriate material via Internet, electronic mail, or other forms of direct electronic communications; (b) prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful online activity; (c) prevent unauthorized online disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification information of minors; and (d) comply with the Children’s Internet Protection Act [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)].

Outside of school, families bear responsibility for the same guidance of appropriate Internet use as they exercise with information sources such as television, telephones, radio, movies, and other possibly offensive media.

The following policy, rules and prohibition, apply to all students, employees, independent contractors, or other persons (hereafter referred to as "Users") of the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation network.

1. The Network is a privilege. Carroll Consolidated School Corporation at any time and for any reason or for no reason may discontinue general access to the Network or rescind the user's privilege of using the Network.

2. Students utilizing Corporation Network access must first have the permission of and must be supervised by the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation’s professional staff. Students utilizing Corporation-provided Internet access are responsible for good behavior on-line just as they are in a classroom or other area of the school. The same general rules for behavior and communications apply.

3. Violation(s) of this Policy and the Corporation Acceptable Use Policy 7525 may result in suspension/expulsion and may be reported to legal authorities.

4. Students are not to change any settings (without prior teacher or administrative approval) on the Network.

5. Use of personal e-mail by students is prohibited. Students may ask the teachers, Media Specialist, or Guidance Office personnel to use Corporation-assigned e-mail to request educational materials, including transcripts. Students may request Corporation-assigned e-mail accounts to access collaboration systems in support of research and education.
Parents of students in the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation shall be provided with the following information:

The Carroll Consolidated School Corporation is pleased of offer access to the Internet. The Internet is an electronic highway connecting hundreds of thousands of computers and millions of individual users all over the world. This computer technology will help propel our schools through the communication age by allowing students and staff to access and use resources from distant computers, communicates and collaborates with other individuals and groups around the world, and significantly expand their available information base. The Internet is a tool for life-long learning.

Families should be aware that some material accessible via the Internet might contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or potentially offensive to some people. In addition, it is possible to purchase certain goods and services via the Internet, which could result in unwanted financial obligations for which a student’s parent or guardian would be liable. While the School Corporation’s intent is to make Internet access available in order to further educational goals and objectives, students may find ways to access other materials as well. The corporation institutes technical methods or systems to regulate students’ Internet access, but those methods may not guarantee compliance with the corporation’s acceptable use policy. That notwithstanding, the School Corporation believes that the benefits to students of access to the Internet exceed any disadvantages. Ultimately, however, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. Toward that end, the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation makes the corporation’s complete Internet policy and procedures available on request for review by all parents, guardians, and other members of the community, and provides parents and guardians the option of requesting for their minor children alternative activities not requiring Internet use. Those students who use Internet must have written permission from their parents or guardians before access is granted by the School Corporation.

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Cross Reference Policies: Property 7525 Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)
Program 2526 School Internet Web Site Policy
Student Handbook - Computers

Cross Reference Statutes: Children’s Internet Protection Act [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)]
Indiana Code 20-20-13
Indiana Code 20-30-5.5