



Internet Social Media Parent/Student User Agreement For Responsible Digital Citizenship

I understand that respect for myself, personal privacy for myself and my family and those that I connect with while using Facebook, Twitter, eMail, cell phones and other forms of Internet social media is of the utmost importance. I also understand that the use of this media includes certain privileges and responsibilities that I must adhere to at all times. This includes seeking out and reading, on my own, information provided by social media web sites that I am using for their specific use and privacy policies. If I have any questions or need any assistance to comply with the above I will ask the help of a parent, schoolteacher or school counselor. In addition, my parents also agree to read information provided by social media web sites that I am using for specific use and privacy policies. And we all agree to discuss those policies and this agreement.

As a minor and user of social media with the permission of my parents, I agree to:

- ...Discuss this document in its entirety with my parent(s).
- ...Disclose to my parent(s) any and all social media that I am using.
- ...Friend you on Facebook and other social media web sites that I use.
- ...“Friend” only those I have met face to face and that I consider to be of good character and positive influence.
- ...Make sure you always have my current user name and password, which for security purposes should be changed from time to time.
- ...Not share my user name and password with anyone other than my parent(s).
- ...Let you know if I have any friend requests from any individuals that I do not personally know, *regardless* if I think they may or may not pose a threat.
- ...Not to use social media to discuss or disclose personal family issues in regard to parents and siblings or any other family relations.
- ...Not to disclose my physical location or the physical location of friend or family via social media.
- ...Not to create groups or lists that my parent(s) are not included in.
- ...Ask for your advice and guidance for any issues that I may encounter in the use of social media.
- ...Comply with any rules you set forth in terms of the use of social media; computer curfew, time spent participating in such, cell phone usage, or other issues to be discussed and added at the end of this document.

As the parent of a child using social media I agree to:

- ...Seek out and read, on my own, information provided by the social media web sites that my child is using for the specific use and privacy policies of those web sites.

- ...Continually make myself aware of available measures offered by social media web sites that can assist me in protecting my child from vulnerability.
- ...Initiate discussion in regard to the proper use of social media in general; and the use and privacy policies of specific social media web sites being used by my child.
- ...Research and discuss the risks and possible dangers of the use of social media in general and by minors in particular.
- ...Regularly monitor my child's social media page(s) by logging in with their user name and password, thereby giving me full access to explore privacy settings, friends, groups and private lists for the sharing of information.
- ...Not to use my child's social media to discuss or disclose personal family issues in regard to children, their siblings or any other family relations.
- ...Not to use social media for parenting or discuss personal parent child or family issues.
- ...Support and assist my child in any questionable issues they may encounter in the use of social media.
- ...Track any "friend" requests from any individuals that my child does not personally know, *regardless* if my child believes that they may or may not pose a threat.
- ...To understand and be understanding of the fact that children are trusting and enthusiastic of prospective new friendships and sometimes make errors in judgment in regard to social media opportunities for such. As the parent, I agree to be of assistance without judgment. I will take advantage of these "errors" as teaching and discussion opportunities with my child.
- ...Keep in mind that social media is a continual and evolving experience for us all and that ultimately the safety of such use by my child is my responsibility.

As the parent and child we agree to be good digital citizens by:

- ...Not posting on the Internet anything that may be embarrassing or hurtful to others based on our own experience and judgment.
- ...Respecting the privacy of others as we hope others will respect our privacy.

Remember, everything that you put out about yourself using social media like Twitter, Facebook, Google Plus, and text messaging etc. becomes a digital footprint. Not only that, but what others post about you on social media sites can follow you as well. It is important to be mindful of what you are sharing about yourself and others and what they are sharing about you.

Parents: _____

Date: _____

Student: _____

Date: _____