Sample Parent Letter

Dear Parents:

Your student has [requested] [been selected] to participate in the district's electronic communications program and needs your permission to do so. Your student will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations and individuals around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks.

The Internet is a system which links networks creating a large and diverse communications network. Internet access allows your student the opportunity to reach out to many other people to share information, learn concepts and research subjects by the sending and receiving of messages using a computer, modem and phone lines.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. It is important that you and your student read the enclosed district policy, administrative regulation and agreement form and discuss these requirements together. Inappropriate system use will result in discipline up to and including expulsion from school, suspension or revocation of your student's access to the district's system and/or referral to law enforcement officials.

Although the district is committed to practices that ensure the safety and welfare of system users, including the use of technology protection measures such as Internet filtering, please be aware that there may still be material or communications on the Internet that district staff, parents and students may find objectionable. While the district neither encourages nor condones access to such material, it is not possible for us to eliminate that access completely.

Attached to this letter are the following important documents:

- 1. An agreement for your student to read and sign stating his/her agreement to follow the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation. This agreement requires your signature. It must be signed and renewed each year and will be kept on file at the school;
- 2. The district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation.

Please review these materials carefully with your student and return the attached agreement form to the [school office] indicating your permission or denial of permission for your student to participate in the district's electronic communications system.

Sincerely,

[System Coordinator/Administrator]

Student Agreement for an Electronic Communications System Account

Student agreement must be renewed each academic year. **Student Section** Student Name Grade _____ I have read the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions will result in discipline up to and including expulsion from school and/or suspension or revocation of system access and related privileges and/or referral to law enforcement officials. Student Signature _____ Date **Sponsoring Parent** I have read the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation. I will monitor my student's use of the system and his/her potential access to the world-wide Internet and will accept responsibility for supervision in that regard if and when my student's use is not in a school setting. In consideration for the privilege of using the district's Electronic Communications System and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the district, its operators and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my, or my student's use, or inability to use, the system including, without limitation, the type of damages identified in the district's policy and administrative regulation. I give my permission to issue an account for my student and certify that the information contained on this form is correct. I do not give my permission for my student to participate in the district's communications system. Signature of Parent Home Address Home Phone Number _____ This space reserved for System Coordinator Assigned Username: _____ Assigned Password: _____

AGREEMENT FOR AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ACCOUNT

(Nonschool System User)

I have read the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions will result in suspension or revocation of system access and related privileges and/or referral to law enforcement officials.

In consideration for the privilege of using the district's Electronic Communications System and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the district, its operators and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my use or inability to use the system including, without limitation, the type of damages identified in the district's policy and administrative regulation.

| Signature | | | |
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| Home Address | | | |
| Date | Home Phone Number | | |
| This space reserved for System C | Coordinator | | |
| Assigned Username: | | Assigned Password: | |

STAFF MEMBER AGREEMENT FOR AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM ACCOUNT

I have read the district's Electronic Communications System policy and administrative regulation and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions will result in disciplinary actions which may include suspension or revocation of system access and related privileges, dismissal or suspension of employment, and/or referral to law enforcement officials."

In consideration for the privilege of using the district's Electronic Communications System and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the district, its operators and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my use or inability to use the system including, without limitation, the type of damages identified in the district's policy and administrative regulation.

| Signature | | | | |
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| Date | | | | |
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| Assigned Username: | | Assigned Password: | | |