

## **LIVNET Student Access Policy**

Part of our responsibility in preparing students for the 21st Century is to provide them access to the tools they will be using as adults. We believe that use of this global information network is one of these tools. The Internet represents a unique opportunity for our students to begin to explore the incredible wealth of information that will enhance their learning.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. In the packet that you receive in the fall there will be some important information that you and your child should read regarding the Student LivNet Access Policy. If your child is given an account and password to use the computer, it is extremely important that the rules are followed. Inappropriate use will result in the loss of computer privileges and other disciplinary action if necessary.

Please stress to your child the importance of using only his/her account password, and of keeping it secured from other students. Your child should never let anyone else use his/her password to access the network. Your child is responsible for any activity that happens in his/her account.

Your student's use of the Internet will be supervised by staff. The district has also installed a content filter which blocks pre-designated Web sites. A firewall is in place which controls access to the Internet from within the district and access from the Internet to the district. Please be aware, however, that there are controversial materials and communications on the Internet that your child could access despite our precautions. It is not possible for us to always provide direct supervision of all students, nor can we completely filter material posted on network connected computers all over the world. We encourage you to consider the potential of your child being exposed to inappropriate material in your decision of whether or not to sign the enclosed form.

There may also be additional kinds of materials on the Internet that are not in accord with your family values. We would like to encourage you to use this as an opportunity to have a discussion with your child about your family values and your expectations about how these values should guide your child's activities while he/she is on the Internet. The levels of access to the Internet provided to your child will vary according to the educational purpose and your child's age.

Please see the reverse for release information.

## Release Information

As a condition of the student being allowed access to network resources, electronic equipment and communications (hereinafter called LivNet) through Livonia Public Schools, we understand and agree with the following:

1. The use of LivNet which includes limited access to the Internet is a privilege and may be revoked at any time.
2. The school district reserves the right to review at any time any student use of LivNet
3. Any misuse of LivNet may result in disciplinary action Penalty ranging from suspension to expulsion
4. The student will accept the responsibility of keeping all pornographic material, inappropriate text files, or files dangerous to the integrity of the network from entering the school via LivNet
5. The staff of the Livonia Public Schools shall be the sole determiners of the appropriateness of materials or actions of student users of LivNet.

We have read the Livonia Public Schools Student LivNet Access Policy, printed on the reverse side of this paper and agree to fully comply with that policy. We understand that the term LivNet includes, but is not limited to, access to the Internet, use of all school district computer equipment, and all electronic communications and devices. We agree to comply with all of the conditions stated in this release form as well as the Student LivNet Access Policy.

As the parent or legal guardian of the student, I grant permission for the student to access LivNet I understand that individuals and families may be held liable for violations, including unauthorized financial obligations resulting from inappropriate use of LivNet. I understand that some materials on LivNet may be objectionable, but I accept responsibility for guidance of LivNet use-setting and conveying standards for my student to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring information and media. In consideration for the privilege of using LivNet, we hereby release the Livonia Public Schools, the Board of Education, staff, and volunteers for any and all claims of any nature arising from the use of, or inability to use, LivNet

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