



Information Technology Acceptable Use Agreement Transition and Senior Students

To enhance learning and empower our students, we must all be skillful users of the tools related to information technology. Modern, responsive learning environments integrate technology seamlessly into all aspects of learning. Throughout our educational community, all users must recognize the strengths of technology and know when to appropriately use it for instruction both inside and outside of the classroom.

Information technology is an integral part of our literacy priority. It is a shared and valuable instructional resource and is made available in our schools for educational purposes. This agreement is designed to ensure a safe and supportive school environment and network integrity. All students and their parents/guardians are required to acknowledge in writing that they have read, understand and will support the requirements/conditions/rules concerning the use of school/Board technology.

Students are accountable for:

- adhering to the guidelines of the Board’s Safe Schools Policy and following the school’s Code of Conduct;
- respecting others’ privacy and personal information when using school/Board technology;
- keeping personal information private (e.g., not publishing photos, names, addresses, or phone numbers) on the Internet;
- responsibly using computer resources, Internet, and electronic communication tools for specific projects, research methods, or other educational purposes outlined by a supervising teacher or other designated staff member;
- Treating school board technology with respect
- Reporting known technical, safety, or security problems to a supervising staff member
- Respecting information obtained on the Internet by incorporating all references in a bibliography, footnote, or other form of citation.

The term “school/Board technology” as used in this document refers to, but is not limited to: computer networks, stand-alone computers, peripheral devices, digital media, and storage devices (floppy disks, CD ROMs, and mass storage devices).

Staff may access student directories and communications for assessment purposes, to maintain system integrity, and to ensure that students are using the system responsibly and safely. As a result, students should not expect that stored files or messages are private.

Students, parents and guardians must be aware of requirements for the safe and wise use of the information technology resources in our schools. Consequences for actions which contravene the Board’s Safe Schools Policy and the school’s Code of Conduct may range from withdrawal of privileges to suspension from school.

For more information regarding Board’s Safe Schools Policy and Internet safety, please visit the Board’s website at: www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca.

We have read and understand the York Region District School Board Information Technology Acceptable Use Agreement.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____