

MIDWAY ISD
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Dear Parents:

Your child has an opportunity to be given access to Midway ISD's electronic communications system and needs your permission to do so. Your child will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and individuals around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks. Through Midway ISD's electronic communications system, your child will have access to hundreds of databases, libraries, and computer services all over the world. The goal in providing these resources is to promote educational excellence.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. All users are expected to use the technology and networks in a responsible, ethical, and polite manner. It is important that you and your child read the enclosed MISD's policy, administrative regulations, and agreement form and discuss these requirements together. Inappropriate system use will result in loss of the privilege to use this educational tool.

Please be aware that the Internet is an association of diverse communication and information networks. While the District is required by federal law to use technology protection measures to limit access to material considered harmful or inappropriate to students, it may not be possible for us to absolutely prevent such access. Despite our best efforts and beyond the limits of filtering technology, your child may run across areas of adult content and some material you might find objectionable.

Please return the attached agreement form indicating your permission or denial of permission for your child to participate in Midway ISD's electronic communication system.

Also, please sign and return the attached permission to release and display student information page.

Sincerely,

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MIDWAY ISD STUDENT AGREEMENT FOR ACCEPTABLE USE OF THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

You are being given access to Midway ISD's electronic communication system. Through this system, you will be able to communicate with other schools, colleges, organizations, and people around the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems/networks. You will have access to hundreds of databases, libraries, and computer services all over the world.

With this opportunity comes responsibility. It is important that you read Midway ISD's policy, administrative regulations, and agreement form and ask questions if you need help in understanding them. Inappropriate system use will result in the loss of the privilege of using this educational tool.

Please note that the Internet is a network of many types of communication and information networks. It is possible that you may run across areas of adult content and some material you (or your parents) might find objectionable. While Midway ISD will use filtering technology to restrict access to such material, it is not possible to absolutely prevent such access. It will be your responsibility to follow the rules for appropriate use.

RULES FOR APPROPRIATE USE:

- Students will be assigned an individual account, and you are responsible for not sharing the password for that account with others.
- Students may be assigned a school email account for classroom purposes; you are responsible for not sharing that account with others.
- The account is to be used mainly for identified educational purposes.
- You will be held responsible at all times for the proper use of your account, and Midway ISD may suspend or revoke your access if you violate the rules.

INAPPROPRIATE USE:

- Using the system for any illegal purpose.
- Disabling or attempting to disable any Internet filtering device.
- Encrypting communications to avoid security review.
- Borrowing someone's account without permissions.
- Posting personal information about yourself or others (such as addresses and phone numbers).
- Downloading or using copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder.
- Intentionally introducing a virus to the computer system
- Posting messages or accessing materials that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal.
- Wasting school resources through improper use of the computer system. (Internet Games, Chat Rooms, Messenger Programs, Downloading Music, Unauthorized E-mail)
- Gaining unauthorized access to restricted information or resources.

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE:

- Suspension of access to the system;
- Revocation of the computer system account; or
- Other disciplinary or legal action, in accordance with Midway ISD policies and applicable laws.

The student agreement must be renewed each academic year.

MIDWAY ISD
Permission to Release and Display Student Information

Grade: _____

Midway ISD publishes student activities and honors in many formats. These include newspaper announcements, district publications such as videos, school website, newsletters, and yearbook. In addition, coaches and sponsors send team rosters to be printed in event programs. These publications may or may not personally identify the student. Pictures and or videos may be used by the school in subsequent years. In order to guarantee student privacy and ensure your agreement for your student to participate, Midway ISD asks that you sign this permission form for each student.

I _____,
parent/guardian of _____ (student's name) give
permission for my student's name, picture, work, voice, verbal statements or portraits (video or still) to appear in school publicity or publications, videos, video broadcasts (distance learning), or on the Midway ISD website.

Signature of student's parent _____

Date _____

Home address _____

Home phone number _____

What kind of internet access do you have at home? Circle your answer:

Wireless

Wired

Hot spot on phone

Only access on phone

None

Other: _____

MIDWAY ISD Acceptable User's Policy

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

I understand that my computer use is not private and that the District will monitor my activity on the computer system.

I have read the Midway's District's electronic communications system policy and administrative regulations and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions may result in suspension or revocation of system access.

Student's signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian:

I have read the Midway District's electronic communications system policy and administrative regulations. In consideration for the privilege of my child 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 child's use of, or inability to use, the system, including, without limitation, the type of damage identified in the District's policy and administrative regulations.

_____ I **give permission** for my child to participate in Midway District's electronic communications system and certified that the information contained on this form is correct.

_____ I **do not give permission** for my child to participate in the Midway District's electronic communications system.

Signature of parent: _____

Home address: _____

Date: _____

Home Phone: _____

**Note: Every student must have this signed form on file with Midway School District.
Thank you for signing and returning this form promptly.**