

Internet Safety Policy

It is the policy of Wyandanch Union Free School District to:

- prevent user access over its computer/data networks to inappropriate material via the Internet, electronic mail (e-mail), or other forms of direct electronic communications;
- prevent unauthorized access, including so-called “hacking” and other unlawful online activities;
- prevent unauthorized disclosure, use and dissemination of personal identification information of minors;
- provide measures restricting minors’ access to materials deemed harmful to them
- and comply with the Children’s Internet Protection Act [Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)].

Internet Safety protective measures in place for all students and staff, over the computer/data networks include:

- Web filters, e-mail filter and firewall measures are in place for all users.
- E-mail accounts for all staff and students (Grades 12) are provided and access to other e-mail services is blocked.
- Individual login accounts for all staff and students (Grades 2-12) are provided to log into the computer/data network.
- Shared login accounts for students (Grades K-2) have additional restrictions in accessing material via the Internet.
- Wyandanch Union Free School District Web Publishing Guidelines state that student’s personal information, such as full name, home address, e-mail address, personal web address or telephone/cell number may not be published on public websites.
- Wyandanch Union Free School District’s Digital Acceptable Use Agreement for all students and staff is published at <http://www.wufsd.net/Assets/Docs/Acceptableusepolicy.pdf>

Inappropriate Network Usage

To the extent practical, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of the Wyandanch Union Free School District online computer

network when using electronic mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, and other forms of direct electronic communications. Specifically, as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, prevention of inappropriate network usage includes: (a) unauthorized access, including so-called 'hacking,' and other unlawful activities; and (b) unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors.

Procedures for the disabling or otherwise modifying any technology protection measures shall be the responsibility of Superintendent of Schools or designated representatives.

Education, Supervision and Monitoring

"The education of minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking sites and in chat rooms Cyberbullying awareness and response".

It shall be the responsibility of all members of the Wyandanch Union Free School District's staff to educate, supervise and monitor appropriate usage of the online networks and access to the Internet in accordance with this policy, and the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). The Wyandanch Union Free School District staff should always model safe behavior and take advantage of "teachable moments".

Beginning 2012, Wyandanch Union Free School District will provide all students with yearly Internet Safety training that includes Responsible Citizenship in a Digital World. The curriculum is posted at <http://isafe.org/>.

The training is designed to promote the Wyandanch Union Free School District's commitment to:

- The standards and acceptable use of Internet services as set forth in the Wyandanch Union School District's Internet Safety Policy and Digital Acceptable Use Agreement.
- Student safety with regard to:
 - safety on the Internet;
 - appropriate behavior while on online, on social networking web sites, and in chat rooms;
 - and cyberbullying awareness and response.

- - Compliance with the E-rate requirements of the Children’s Internet Protection Act (“CIPA”).

The Superintendent or designated representatives will provide age-appropriate training for students who use the Wyandanch Union Free School District Internet facilities. The training provided will be designed to promote the Wyandanch Union Free School District’s commitment to:

- a. The standards and acceptable use of Internet services as set forth in the WUFSD Internet Safety Policy;
- b. Student safety with regard to:
 - i. safety on the Internet;
 - ii. appropriate behavior while on online, on social networking Web sites, and in chat rooms; and
 - iii. cyberbullying awareness and response.
- c. Compliance with the E-rate requirements of the Children’s Internet Protection Act (“CIPA”).

Following receipt of this training, the student will acknowledge that he/she received the training, understood it, and will follow the provisions of the District's Acceptable Use Policies.

Adoption

This Internet Safety Policy was adopted by the Wyandanch Union Free School Board at a public meeting, following normal public notice, on July 1, 2012