

SIDE BY SIDE CHARTER SCHOOL Upper School "Acceptable Use of Technology (Internet)"

STUDENT/PARENT AGREEMENT

All students of Side by Side Charter School must have an appropriately signed *Student and Parent/Guardian Agreement* on file with the school before they are allowed access to school technology resources (such as the internet). All users must agree to follow the school's policies, regulations and procedures.

As a user of the Side By Side Charter School computer network, including the internet, I have read, understand, and will abide by the rules, regulations and guidelines stated in the Acceptable Use of Technology Policy. I understand that my signature and the signature of one of my parents or legal guardians are preconditions to my accessing and using the Side By Side's electronic information resources (including the internet). I also specifically agree to the following:

- 1. I will use the internet only for educational and research purposes that are part of assignments given to me by my teachers and only for those purposes consistent with the educational objectives of my teachers, administration and the Board of Directors of Side By Side Charter School.
- I will use the internet in a responsible, ethical, and legal manner at all times. I will never
 intentionally do anything to destroy any of those resources or anyone else's work on
 those resources.
- 3. I will never copy (plagiarize) someone else's work and claim that it is my own. I will give the appropriate credit to the author or the resources as the source of information that I find when I research.
- 4. I will use the internet only with the permission of my teacher or another staff member, and only if an adult is present in the room.
- 5. I will be considerate of students and their privacy while using the school's resources, and I will use polite and appropriate language at all times while accessing and using these resources. I will keep my log-in identification and all passwords confidential, and I will report any log-in/password misuse to the network administrator or staff in charge.
- 6. I will send and receive electronic mail (e-mail) appropriately for educational purposes. I will report inappropriate e-mail messages or any misuse of e-mail to the staff in charge.
- 7. I will not give out any personal information about myself or anyone else while using the Internet or e-mail address.
- 8. I will never intentionally damage, degrade, or disrupt the electronic information resources, including computer hardware or software, vandalize or change data in any way, intentionally introduce computer viruses, attempt to gain access to restricted or unauthorized networks or network services, or violate copyright laws. I understand that such activity may be a crime.
- 9. I will immediately report any problems or any violations of the Responsible Use Policy to the network administrator or the staff in charge.



- 10. If I do not follow the rules outlined in the Side by Side Acceptable Use of Technology Policy, I know that I may lose my privilege to use Side By Side's electronic information resources. I also know that I may be disciplined for not following the rules and that my parents and I may have to pay for any damage I cause because of my intentional misuse of these resources.
- 11. I will not access or attempt to access any internet sites that are not educational in purpose and or those that may display vulgar, explicit or inappropriate material.
- 12. I am aware that some violations of the Responsible Use Policy may also be violations of local, state and federal laws and regulations and that I may be prosecuted for violating those laws.

Parental Consent

By signing below, I give Side By Side Charter School permission to allow my child to access and use the electronic information resources in the schools for educational purposes. I understand that when using a resource such as the Internet, it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial or potentially inappropriate materials or to predict with complete certainty what information a user may locate. I understand that the school will use filtering programs, access controls, and active supervision of students and will make all reasonable efforts to protect students from any misuses or abuses as a result of their use of the school's electronic information resources.

My child and I have read and discussed the "Side by Side Acceptable Use of Technology" policy and guidelines. We understand that students are only to use the internet under the guidance and supervision of an appropriate staff member and at appropriately designated times. We understand that any violation of this policy and its guidelines may result in loss of internet privileges as well as additional disciplinary action.

I understand, and have explained to my child that he or she may lose his or her privilege to use these resources at school and may be disciplined if he or she does not follow all of the rules outlined in the *Acceptable Use Policy* and this Access Agreement.

Please fill-in the information below and return this signed form to your child's teacher.

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

RETURN THIS FORM IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED