



## **Northern Rhode Island Collaborative (NRIC) RINET/INTERNET**

### **Acceptable Use Policy**

The NRIC fully endorses the use of the Internet as an educational tool. Access to information, research sources, people, and computers throughout the world are available to students. The NRIC is committed to restricting access to questionable material and to limiting inappropriate use; however, control of all online activities is impossible. Therefore, all users who access the Internet through the NRIC are required to adhere to strict ethical and legal guidelines. If NRIC users violate any of these provisions, their access via the school may be terminated, and future access may be denied. In addition, an employee guilty of such violations will be subject to disciplinary action.

### **Student Compliance**

I understand that access to the Internet from the NRIC must be in support of education and research, and I agree to the following:

I will refrain from accessing any news groups, links, listservs, or other areas of cyberspace that would be offensive to any students, teachers, or parents because of pornographic content; racial ethnic, or minority disparagement; advocacy of violence; or illicit/illegal content.

Accordingly, I am responsible for monitoring and appropriately rejecting materials, links, dialogue, and information accessed/received by me.

I accept responsibility for keeping copyrighted software from entering the work place via the Internet. Therefore, I must not download games, music, graphics, videos, or text materials that are copyrighted.

Plagiarism is unacceptable. Therefore, I accept responsibility for using downloaded text in an appropriate manner. Violation of copyright laws will not be tolerated. I will not post, distribute, or use without permission material that was created by someone else. Students are reminded that plagiarism is a reason for disciplinary action in the NRIC.

I will be courteous and use appropriate language, refraining from swearing, or using any forms of obscene, harassing, or abusive language. If I am a victim of such harassment, I will report the abuse immediately to an assistant, a teacher, or the coordinator. If another user asks that I no longer send him/her e-mail or in any way contact him/her, I will stop all contact immediately.

I will not reveal personal information including addresses and telephone numbers of myself or others.

I will not lend my account or password to others.

I will report all electronic mail messages relating to or in support of illegal activities to the appropriate authorities.

I will never agree to meet face-to-face with someone that I have met online.

I understand that system operators will have access to all users accounts, including e-mail.

If I am not sure how to do something on the computer, I will ask a teacher.

If I suspect a security problem related to my school's accounts or on the Internet, I will notify a teacher or coordinator. I will not demonstrate the problem to others.

I understand that any user legitimately identified as a security risk or with a history of problems with other computers systems may be denied access to the Internet through the NRIC.

I understand that any user attempting to maliciously harm or damage data of another user or an area of the Internet, including the introduction of computer viruses and the unauthorized use of debit or credit cards, will be denied access to the Internet through the NRIC.

### **Conclusion**

I understand that the use of the Internet is a privilege and that inappropriate use will result in cancellation of those privileges or disciplinary action. I further understand that teachers, coordinators, administration will deem what is inappropriate use and that their decisions are final. The teacher, coordinator, or administration may close the access of any user at any time as required by the administration.

The expectation of administration is that students at the NRIC will adhere to the above policies. We look forward to the expanding use of the Internet for learning.

The NRIC makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. The NRIC will not be responsible for any damages a user may suffer, including loss of data. The Department will not be responsible for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through this Internet connection.

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<!-- Description: Sample HTML for R3000 customized block page -->
<!-- Replace <R3000 IP> with real IP before using -->
<!-- Revision: 1 -->
<!-- Date: 03/08/2004 -->
<html>
<head>
<script language=javascript>
function parseData(str, start, end)
{
result = "";
i = str.indexOf(start);
if (i >= 0) {
len = str.length;
substr = str.substr(i+start.length, len -
start.length);
j = substr.indexOf(end);
if (j > 0) {
result = substr.substring(0, j);
}
else {
if (j != 0) {
len = substr.length;
result = substr.substr(0, len);
}
}
}
return result;
}
function getData(){
str = document.location.href;
len = str.length;
i = str.indexOf("?");
if ( i >= 0) {
query = str.substr(i+1, len-i-1);
url = parseData(query, "URL=", "&");
document.block.URL.value = url;
ip = parseData(query, "IP=", "&");
document.block.IP.value = ip;
cat = parseData(query, "CAT=", "&");
document.block.CAT.value = cat;
user = parseData(query, "USER=", "&");
APPENDICES
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