Bethesda Elementary School

STUDENT CODE OF ETHICS FOR ACCESS
TO COMPUTER NETWORK AND INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

1. Computers will be used **FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

2. Using a computer or entering a room with computers without the supervision of a staff member is prohibited.

3. Accessing the Internet without the permission or supervision of staff is prohibited and limited to approved websites.

4. **Students may NOT:**
   
   a) Access web sites which are not educational such as email, chat rooms, Instant Messenger.
   b) Access, print, or use language, pictures, or other material that is obscene, vulgar, or have harmful intent.
   c) Print without staff permission.
   d) Permit others to use one’s account or passwords or use anyone else's account or passwords.
   e) Damage or abuse any computer hardware components.

5. **Students need to demonstrate and understand the following:**
   
   a) Technology in my school and home should be treated with respect.
   b) Use the computer with the guidance and supervision of an adult.
   c) When confronted with a computer issue, whether it’s a technology problem or inappropriate content, I will ask a staff member, parent volunteer, or parent for help.
   d) When using school networks and programs, never give personal information about myself or others (passwords, real names- including first and last name, birth date, home or school address, phone numbers, etc.) with others online or otherwise.
   e) Participate and use technology resources respectfully and courteously at all times.

6. The misuse of technology will result in the same consequences referenced in the Bethesda Elementary School Discipline Policy.

Please cut and return the information below to school by **October 10, 2014.** We will keep this information on file at school.

**STUDENTS: Check off items when done.**

- I have read and understand the Code of Ethics form.
- I have read and understand the importance of internet and technology safety.
- I understand that I will not be given access to computers until this document is completed and returned to school.

> **Student’s printed name______________________________________________**

> **Student’s signature______________________________________________ Date__________**

> **Grade ________ Teacher’s Name______________________________ Student ID#_________**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN:** If you need clarification of the contents of these documents, please call the school at **301-657-4979** and ask to speak with Elizabeth von Schwarz. **Check off when done.**

- I have read this document and the attached regulation.
- I **confirm** that my child has read these documents and understands the rules and consequences.
September 5, 2014

Dear Students and Parents:

Your child recently reviewed the protocol for use of technology during their first visit to the computer lab. Discuss and review with your child the importance of technology safety and the attached agreement. Please keep and review the attached regulations for Student Code of Ethics for access to computer network and instructional programs at school. Students and parents must sign and date this document where indicated and return to school in order to have access to the technology. Your signatures indicate compliance with the regulations and acknowledge the expectations of technology at Bethesda Elementary School.

If you have further questions about the use of technology or this Code of Ethics, please contact Elizabeth von Schwarz at 301-657-4979.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth von Schwarz
Bethesda Elementary
Staff Development Teacher