

PERMISSION FORM 2023-2024

Williamston Middle School

Please complete this form and return it to the Middle School

(Please print)

Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Parent's Name _____

FIELD TRIP PERMISSION

I grant permission for my child to participate in field trips sponsored by Williamston Middle School which will take my child away from the school premises. I understand this approval is for the school year and my child's teacher will notify me prior to each field trip. In most circumstances, transportation will be provided by the school district. In the event that a WCS school bus is not used, I will be required to complete a separate permission form.

☐ **Approved** by Parent/Guardian

_____ Date

or

☐ **Not Approved** by Parent/Guardian

_____ Date

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENT HANDBOOK AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Williamston Middle School has made available the **2023-24 Student Handbook and Code of Conduct**. You may access these documents by visiting www.gowcs.net and selecting Williamston Middle School under "Our Schools" and then click on the policies and procedures link. A hard copy is available in the office. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have been made aware of having access to these documents.

☐ **Acknowledged** by Parent/Guardian

_____ Date

WILLIAMSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

STUDENT SECTION

I have read the District Internet Use Agreement and I agree to follow the rules contained in this Policy. I understand that if I violate the rules, my account can be terminated and I may face other disciplinary measures.

User Name (please print) _____ Grade _____

School _____

User's Signature _____ Date _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SECTION

As the parent or legal guardian of the student signing above, I have read this Internet Use Agreement and grant permission for my son or daughter to access the Internet. I understand that the district's computing resources are designed for educational purposes. I also understand that it is impossible for Williamston Community Schools to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired on the network. I understand that individuals and families may be held liable for violations. Furthermore, I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a school setting.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Name (please print) _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

Internet / Intranet Policy

These policies shall apply to all users, students, teachers, and administrators of telecommunications systems which are entered via equipment and access lines located at Williamston Community Schools or who obtain their access privileges through association with these schools:

1. All use of the Internet must be in support of education and research and consistent with the purposes of Williamston Community Schools.
2. Use of the network for commercial or profit purposes is prohibited.
3. Extensive use of the network for personal and private business is prohibited.
4. Any use of the network for product advertisement or political lobbying is prohibited.
5. Network accounts are to be used only by the authorized owner of the account for the authorized purpose.
6. Users shall not intentionally seek information on, obtain copies of, or modify files, other data, or passwords belonging to other users, or misrepresent other users on the network.
7. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.
8. Users are expected to abide by generally accepted network rules of etiquette.
9. No use of the network shall serve to disrupt the use of the network by others; hardware or software shall not be destroyed, modified, or abused in any way.
10. Malicious use of the network to develop programs that harass other users or infiltrate a computer or computing system and/or damage the software components of a computer or computing system is prohibited.
11. Hate mail, harassment, discriminatory remarks, and other anti-social behaviors are prohibited on the network. This includes but is not limited to, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually-oriented, threatening, offensive, or illegal material.
12. The illegal installation of copyrighted software for use on district computers is prohibited.
- *13. Use of the network to access or process pornographic material, inappropriate text files, of files dangerous to the integrity of the local area network is prohibited.
- *14. Subscriptions to Listservs must be reported to the building system operator (SYSOP). Get the name of the SYSOP in the principal's office. Prior approval for Listservs is required for students.
- *15. Mail Listservs must be monitored daily and deleted from the personal mail directory to avoid excessive use of fileserver hard disk space.
16. From time to time, Williamston Community Schools will make determinations on whether specific uses of the network are consistent with the acceptable use practice.

- A. *Williamston Community Schools reserve the right to log Internet use and to monitor fileserver space utilization by users while respecting the privacy of user accounts.
- B. *Williamston Community Schools reserve the right to temporarily remove a user account on the network to prevent further unauthorized activity.
- C. *Williamston Community Schools and Ingham Intermediate Schools make no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. Williamston Community Schools will not be responsible for any damages you suffer. This includes loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, misdeliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at your own risk. Williamston Community Schools specifically deny any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.
- D. *Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. If you can identify a security problem on the Internet, you must notify a system administrator or your District Internet Coordinator. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Do not use another individual's account without written permission from that individual. Attempts to log on to the Internet as a system administrator will result in the cancellation of user privileges. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to the Internet.
- E. *Vandalism of computer hardware or software will result in the cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy the data of another user, Internet, or any of the above-listed agencies or other networks that are connected to the NSFNET Internet backbone. This includes but is not limited to, the uploading or creating computer viruses.
*These items in addition to the Williamston Community Schools District Internet Acceptable Use Statement as included in the district code of conduct.
- F. Any violations may result in a loss of computer access, as well as other disciplinary or legal action. Users are subject to all local, state, and federal law.
- G. Users must adhere to copyright and trademark laws and licensing agreements in the use of hardware and software and in the transmission or copying of files on the Internet. Users must also comply with all other applicable laws, both state and federal with respect to the use of technology.
- H. Web browsing and messaging activity will be logged and scanned by a computer algorithm to detect cyberbullying, self-harm, and grief sentiments. In the event that this type of activity is detected by the algorithm, it will be flagged for review by a school administrator.