

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

As part of the learning process, your child will use technology as a tool in individual as well as collaborative learning projects. The degree to which your child utilizes technology is up to you. The District provides electronic storage space for your child's work assignments, printing and image scanning devices, in addition to desktop/laptop computers and filtered email. If you approve, your son or daughter will be gaining access to various Web 2.0 tools as well as the Internet. The Internet provides a wealth of resources for research to supplement traditional library sources. While there are dangers in unsupervised use of the Internet, please note that all classes are supervised by teachers and aides. In addition, Internet content is filtered by way of a software system prior to reaching the district computers. This filtering system is revised regularly to minimize access to undesirable material and complies with the requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA).

The purpose of this letter is to give you information about the Acceptable Use Policy guidelines that the Halifax Area School District will use to govern this access and use of computer technology in the District. We ask that you review these guidelines with your son or daughter. **Both you and your child must sign the consent form.** District personnel will discuss these guidelines with your son or daughter. If you have questions about the policy or the District's implementation of technology, please call Michele M. Orner, Ed. D, Superintendent, at 896-3416 x 112. **IN ORDER TO AVOID INTERRUPTION TO YOUR STUDENT'S ACCESS PRIVILEGES, THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM/DISCOVERY TEACHER NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016.**

***PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE OF THE ITEMS BELOW, AND SIGN BELOW:***

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the Acceptable Use Policy guidelines. I agree to allow my child, (child's name) \_\_\_\_\_, to use computer technology including access to the Internet.

***- OR -***

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the Acceptable Use Policy guidelines. While I agree to allow my child, (child's name) \_\_\_\_\_, to use computer technology, I do not approve of my child accessing the Internet. I understand that my child's ability to participate in computer exercises or research projects will likely be impacted.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian email address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Graduation or Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,  
Michele M. Orner, Ed. D.  
Superintendent  
Halifax Area School District