

POLICY

SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

PROGRAM
2361/page 1 of 5
Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers
and Resources
M

2361 ACCEPTABLE USE OF COMPUTER NETWORK/COMPUTERS AND RESOURCES

The South Bergen Jointure Commission network and computing systems are expected to be used exclusively for education-related functions and applications. As the system administrators have access to all files, including E-mail files, users should have no expectation of privacy with respect to said files or E-mail. However, the system administrators will not normally inspect the contents of files or E-mail sent by one user to an identified addressee, or disclose such contents to other than the sender, or an intended recipient, without the consent of the sender, or an intended recipient, unless required to do so by law or policies of the South Bergen Jointure School District, or to investigate complaints regarding files or E mail which is alleged to contain defamatory, abusive, obscene; profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, or illegal material. Further, the schools are obligated to cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation concerning or relating to any E-mail transmitted on or misuses of the network and computing systems.

Every user must submit to the building system manager a South Bergen Jointure Commission Schools District Network Access Release and Authorization Form signed by the user and the user's parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

Network

1. The use of the South Bergen Jointure Commission Schools District network (southbergenjointure.org) to promote the exchange of information to further education and research and is consistent with the mission of the South Bergen Jointure Commission.
2. southbergenjointure.org is not for private or commercial business use, political or religious purposes.
3. Any use of southbergenjointure.org for illegal activity is prohibited.
4. Use of southbergenjointure.org to access obscene, pornographic, offensive, or objectionable material is prohibited.



POLICY

SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

PROGRAM
2361/page 2 of 5
Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers
and Resources

5. Sending material likely to be obscene, pornographic, offensive, or objectionable to recipients is prohibited.
6. Using programs that harass southbergenjointure.org users or infiltrate a computing system and/or damage the software components is prohibited.
7. Users will make the most efficient use of network resources to minimize interference with others.
8. Any use of southbergenjointure.org that accesses outside resources must conform to their "Acceptable Use Policy."
9. Subscriptions to Listservs, bulletin boards, and on line services must be pre-approved by the district.
10. Users will respect the rights and property of others and will not improperly access, misappropriate, or misuse the files, data, or information of others.
11. Users may not share their accounts with anyone or leave their accounts open or unattended.
12. Users will keep all accounts and passwords confidential and not accessible to others.
13. Users will change passwords regularly, using combinations of letters and numbers and avoiding standard English words and names.
14. Users are responsible for making back-up copies of critical documents.
15. Users are responsible to take precautions to prevent viruses on their own equipment and South Bergen Jointure Commission equipment.
16. The illegal installation of copyrighted software or files for use on district computers is prohibited.
17. Users should see the school's System Manager to install any software on district computers.



POLICY

SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

PROGRAM

2361/page 3 of 5

Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers
and Resources

18. Electronic mail (E-mail) is an electronic message sent by or to a user in correspondence with another person having E-mail access. Messages received by the system are retained on the system until deleted by the recipient. A canceled account will not retain its mail. Users are expected to remove old messages in a timely fashion and the system administrators may remove such messages if not attended to regularly by the user.
19. E-mail is provided for the purpose of exchanging information consistent with the mission of the South Bergen Jointure Commission School District.
 - a. Southbergenjointure.org E-mail will not be used for private or commercial offerings of products or services for sale or to solicit products or services.
 - b. E-mail will not be used for political or religious purposes.
 - c. E-mail messages are subject to district review at any time.
 - d. E-mail will not be used to broadcast messages outside of the building.
20. Mail should be deleted regularly from the E-mail directory to conserve the file space.

Interpretation, application, and modification of the Acceptable Use Policy is within the sole discretion of the South Bergen Jointure Commission District. Any questions or issues regarding this policy should be directed to the South Bergen Jointure Commission Schools District administration.

Internet Safety/Protection

The school district is in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act and has installed technology protection measures for all computers in the school district, including computers in media centers/libraries, that block and/or filter visual depictions that are obscene as defined in Section 1460 of Title 18, United States Code; child pornography, as defined in Section 2256 of Title 18, United States Code; are harmful to minors including any pictures, images, graphic image file or other visual depiction that taken as a whole and with respect to



POLICY

SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

PROGRAM
2361/page 4 of 5
Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers
and Resources

minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion; or depicts, describes, or represents in a patently offensive way, with respect to what is suitable for minors, sexual acts or conduct; or taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value as to minors.

The school district will certify on an annual basis, that the schools, including media centers/libraries, in the district are in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act and the school district enforces the requirements of this policy.

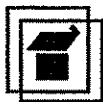
This Policy also establishes Internet safety policy and procedures in the district as required in the Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act. Policy 2361 addresses access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web; the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications; unauthorized access, including "hacking" and other unlawful activities by minors online; unauthorized disclosures, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors; and measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors.

Notwithstanding blocking and/or filtering the visual depictions prohibited in the Children's Internet Protection Act, the Board shall determine other Internet material that is inappropriate for minors. The Board will provide reasonable public notice and will hold one annual public hearing during a regular monthly board meeting or during a designated special board meeting to address and receive public community input on the Internet safety policy - Policy and Regulation 2361.

Violations

Individuals violating this policy shall be subject to the consequences as indicated in Regulation No. 2361 and other appropriate discipline, which includes but are not limited to:

1. Use of the network only under direct supervision;
2. Suspension of network privileges;
3. Revocation of network privileges;
4. Suspension of computer privileges;
5. Revocation of computer privileges;



POLICY

SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

PROGRAM
2361/page 5 of 5
Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers
and Resources

6. Suspension from school;
7. Expulsion from school; and/or
8. Legal action and prosecution by the authorities.

N.J.S.A. 2A:38A-3

Federal Communications Commission: Children's Internet
Protection Act.

Adopted: 28 June 2006

