

ABILENE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT HANDBOOK 2020-2021



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The Mission of Abilene USD 435 is to help all students become successful and responsible lifelong learners in a changing world.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT LIST

At the end of each 9-week grading period, Abilene Middle School will recognize academic achievement through the AMS Honor Roll. This list will be posted on the Academic Achievement Display bulletin board and will be published in the local newspaper. The honor roll will recognize achievement at three levels.

- Gold Card - 3.8 GPA through 4.0 GPA
- Orange Card - 3.5 GPA through 3.79 GPA
- Blue Card - 3.0 GPA through 3.49 GPA

If you earn one of the Academic Awards Cards, you will earn:

- Front of the lunch line privilege (gold only)
- Recognition Certificate

If you lose or destroy your Academic Award Card, you can purchase a replacement card with Longhorn Bucks.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Students will have an opportunity to be recognized at the end of the year for academic performance. A student must earn six points during the **first 3 quarters** to earn this recognition (Night of the Stars).

- Gold Card = 4pts.
- Orange Card = 3 pts.
- Blue Card = 2 pts.
- High Five Award = 2 pts.

HIGH FIVE AWARD

If you improve your GPA by .5 from one nine-week grade period to the next, you will earn a “High 5” award.

LONGHORN BUCKS

Students can earn Longhorn Bucks by

- **Being Responsible**
- **Being Respectful**
- **Giving Their Best Efforts**

Students who exhibit these traits can spend their LH Bucks in the school store, in individual classrooms, and/or on the “End of Year Reward Trip” (40 LH Bucks).

GRADING

The grading system at Abilene Middle School is as follows:

- A = 100-90
- B = 89-80
- C = 79-70
- D = 69-60
- F = 59-0

Any student receiving an F in a class for the entire school year may be recommended to attend summer school.

PROMOTION/RETENTION

Students must successfully complete five (5) credits of school subjects in order to be promoted to the next grade level. For promotion purposes, a student will receive .25 credit in each class passed at the end of each nine weeks (e.g. Art = .25, Math = .25, etc.)

Any student not having five credits at the end of the year may receive promotion to the next grade level by attending summer school and successfully completing course work during the summer. However, summer school will only be held if there is an adequate number of staff available to teach.

After being retained once at a specific grade level for a second year, if a student still does not meet the requirements for promotion, a committee composed of the building principal, counselor, teachers and parents will be convened to consider the matter of student promotion. The building principal will have the final authority to determine promotion or retention of a student.

Eighth grade students wishing to participate in Recognition Night activities must have five credits by the end of the year to participate. During the last week of school the office will inform those students who are not eligible to participate.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

We believe at Abilene Middle School that extracurricular school activities are a great way to get involved in your school. However, it is also important to understand that academics come first before extracurricular activities. To participate in extracurricular activities, students must be successfully passing the required number of classes. For specifics of eligibility, please see the Abilene Middle School Athletics handbook.

ATTENDANCE

Regular and punctual attendance is expected and required of all AMS students. Student absences will be recorded based on the following:

In compliance with Kansas Statute 72-1113 and 72-1111 as described in Senate Bill No. 38, schools must report students not in compliance with Kansas Compulsory Attendance Laws. **The guidelines state that a student is not in compliance, and therefore subject to a truancy referral to the Dickinson County Attorney if any of the following occur:**

- He/She accumulates three (3) consecutive unexcused absences
- He/She has five (5) unexcused absences in a semester
- He/She has seven (7) unexcused absences in a school year
- He/She has accumulated seven (7) unexcused tardies
- He/She has excessive (over 6) excused absences and does not provide a doctor's note

A - Absent	E - Excused Absence	U - Unexcused Absence	AP - Absence per Parent	T - Tardy
- Entered in Powerschool until confirmed E, U, or AP, and triggers attendance call	See examples below	See examples below	See examples below	
F - Field Trip	O - Office	I - In School Suspension	S - Out of School Suspension	

Examples of Excused Absence	Examples of Unexcused Absence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Appointment - accompanied by Dr. note • Funeral or other family emergency • Court appearances • College visits • Military family obligations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Appointment without Dr. note • Oversleeping • Non-medical appointments • Babysitting for siblings • Work • Missing school as a parental reward
Examples of Absence Per Parent	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illness not requiring Dr. note (see below) • Family vacations if worked out with administration in advance 	

All work missed while students are absent must be made up. This requirement is the student's responsibility. Check with your teachers to get the assignments.

TARDIES

First hour tardies will be handled by the office with detention being assigned as follows for unexcused tardies:

- 1st tardy = verbal warning
- 2nd tardy = 30 min. detention
- 3rd tardy = 30 min. detention and parent phone call
- 4th tardy = 60 min. detention and parent/administrator conference

Teachers will handle tardies to all other class periods.

BEFORE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Doors to the building will be unlocked at **7:20**.

- Students eating breakfast and 8th graders are to report to the Commons Area
- 6th and 7th graders are to report to the gym until 7:55
- Students are not to be in classrooms or the Media Center until 7:55 unless arrangements are made with a teacher or the librarian
- You are expected to be in your first hour class before the 8:00 AM bell rings to not be counted tardy to your first hour class

AFTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE

AMS custodians have cleaning to do in the classrooms and hallways, therefore students need to be out of the building by 3:15 unless they have practice immediately after school, are enrolled in the after-school program, or are working directly with a teacher or staff member.

LEAVING SCHOOL DURING THE DAY

If you become sick during the day and must go home, report to the office before leaving school. **NEVER LEAVE THE SCHOOL BUILDING OR SCHOOL GROUNDS WITHOUT REPORTING TO THE OFFICE!**

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

At AMS we believe that all students are capable of behaving in an acceptable manner. Being a part of a school means accepting limits on behavior and following various rules and regulations. You will find below various behavior expectations that we must insist you meet. The behavior expectations below are not all-inclusive; this means not all inappropriate behavior for school is listed.

SCHOOL CONDUCT

We expect all AMS students to be respectful towards their fellow students and any staff member who works with them during the school day or at any school activity. Courtesy, good manners, and proper care of books and equipment are a part of showing respect! Respectable language is a must! Street talk is not appropriate or allowed at AMS in the classrooms, the hallways, or outside the school. Do not use it!

Student behavior that disrupts or interferes with classes or any part of school is **not allowed**. Inappropriate behavior that interferes in learning will be addressed through the following types of disciplinary action:

- Conferences with student
- Parental contact
- Parent-student-principal conferences
- Detention
- In-school suspension
- Out-of-school suspension
- Expulsion

Recognizing that each classroom teacher has his/her own behavior guidelines, here are some policies that all Abilene Middle School teachers endorse:

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Give Your Best Effort

CLASSROOMS

Follow directions
Listen and pay attention to the speaker
Be truthful
Cooperate with others
Use kind words and actions
Keep hands, feet, and objects to self
Be encouraging and helpful to peers
Turn in work
Respond appropriately to conflict
Bring your required materials
Make up work when absent
Arrive to class on time
Remain in school for the whole day
Complete work with best effort
Remain on task
Participate in class activities
Show a positive attitude

LUNCHROOM

Listen and follow adult requests
Keep food on your plate
Follow directions the first time asked
Share lunch tables with others in your STAR
Use manners & inside voice
Ask permission to use bathrooms/go to the gym
Clean up messes that you make
Know your lunch number
Clear away trash
Keep lunch tables and floors clean

BATHROOMS

Give others privacy - remain in your stall
Take care of your own business
Keep stalls and walls free of graffiti
Keep water in the sink
Flush when finished
Wash hands with soap when finished
Report any problems to your teacher
Return to class promptly
Respond appropriately to conflict situations

HALLWAY

Stay calm and controlled in conflicts
Be courteous of other classrooms
Keep hands to yourself - don't push
Respect materials, posters, and pictures
Use appropriate ways to show affection
Avoid gossip and use kind words
Follow instructions for drills and emergencies
Report unsafe behaviors
Walk - don't run
Help keep hallways clean
Use hallway time appropriately and efficiently
Pay attention to where you are going

GYM TIME/PHYSICAL DAY

Be kind to peers while playing games
Respect others' personal space
Follow directions the first time asked
Follow rules of game
Stay in established areas
Report problems/unsafe behavior to teacher
Control your temper
Include others in your activities

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Control temper in conflict situations
Stay in assigned area
Bring to school/take home needed materials
Resolve conflicts peacefully
Fulfill before- and after-school commitments
Show a positive attitude

BUS

Listen to and follow bus driver rules
Use kind words toward bus drivers and others
Share seating on the bus
Remain in seat
Throw away any trash properly
Use self-control
Do not yell or scream
Stay clear of a moving bus
Keep hands/feet to yourself and inside bus
Be alert/prepared in emergencies
Take all personal items when leaving bus

HALLWAY BEHAVIOR

We need everyone's help in providing a smooth movement of traffic at AMS. Please be patient when walking down hallways or on the stairs. Please walk around and not through the Media Center or the Conference Room hallway. Running, yelling, pushing, and shoving are not appropriate behaviors in our hallways! Students continually misbehaving in the hallways will be referred to the office and could possibly lose their hallway privileges for an extended time.

BULLYING

Behavior that is **Repeated, Intentional**, and causes a **Power Imbalance** is considered bullying and **will not** be tolerated at Abilene Middle School.

The following behaviors can sometimes be **peer conflict**, but when it rises to the level of being **Repeated, Intentional**, or causing a **Power Imbalance**, these behaviors qualify as bullying:

- Teasing: Name-calling, insulting, or other behavior that would hurt others' feelings or make them feel bad about themselves
- Exclusion: Starting rumors, telling others not to be friends with someone, or other actions that would cause someone to be without friends
- Physical: Pushing, slapping, grabbing, flicking, poking, pinching, tripping, or other violations of personal space
- Severe Physical: Punching, kicking, and similar behavior that could result in injury to others
- Threat of serious violence, Harassment: Racial, ethnic, or sexual name-calling or other severe harassment

School Bullying Rules:

1. We will not bully others
2. We will try to help students who are bullied
3. We will make it a point to include students who are easily left out
4. When we know somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and an adult at home

“HANDS OFF”

We expect you to keep from pushing, shoving, and grabbing each other while you are here at AMS. Sometimes a fight or scuffle breaks out from just “fooling around.” So remember to **KEEP YOUR HANDS TO YOURSELF!** This helps us all out!

TOBACCO/ALCOHOL

The unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of controlled substances (tobacco in any form and/or electronic cigarettes) and the possession, use, sale or distribution of alcohol by AMS students will not be permitted in school, on school grounds or at school sponsored activities. **Violation of this policy will result in an out-of-school suspension on the first offense.** Future violations will result in a five-day suspension. Repeated violations may result in expulsion from school.

ILLEGAL DRUGS

A student shall not knowingly possess, sell, use, transmit or be under the influence of any illegal drug of any kind. Possession of illegal drugs or being under the influence will result in suspension or expulsion. Law enforcement will be notified.

THEFT

Taking, using, or borrowing another person's property without permission is called stealing. With or without locks, we all have rights of ownership and should not have to fear having our property stolen. **Let's be honest!** If we find something, let's return it to the owner. The theft of student, teacher, or school property could result in suspension from school and serious problems with theft could possibly lead to expulsion.

POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS DEVICES

The possession of dangerous devices (e.g. weapons) is strictly forbidden! The possession of a dangerous device will result in suspension out of school and could result in a recommendation for expulsion from school.

ETHICS AND HONESTY

The teachers at Abilene Middle School believe AMS students are capable of producing authentic work. Also, we believe students should be held to a high standard of behavior. Consequently, we will not tolerate cheating, copying other students' work, or plagiarizing.

Plagiarism is "to steal and pass off as one's own the ideas or words of another" (*Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary*). To avoid plagiarizing, a student must give credit to the source if the information is not common knowledge. When paraphrasing, a student must reword so the resulting product has no resemblance to the original wording or sentence structure.

The consequences for all other instances of cheating will result in a zero on the given assignment and parent contact by the teacher.

IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION

Students who are consistently having or creating problems in school that interferes with any part of the school program may be placed on in-school suspension. Students will be placed on in-school suspension by the principal or her designee. Students on in-school suspension will be expected to be quiet at all times and work on assignments from daily classes. Students who do not cooperate while on in-school suspension will be sent home and may be suspended for a length of time out of school.

DETENTION

Students may be assigned detention time by the principal or by teachers. This detention time should be served on the day it is assigned (or the next day if not possible) after school beginning at 3:00 P.M. Students assigned detention time will be given one day to arrange for transportation. Students failing to attend detention will either have their time increased or be placed on in-school or out-of-school suspension. Detention will be held on a daily basis unless otherwise announced.

AMS RULES

- **Hats** are not to be worn during the school day unless specified for a special day. If you wear a hat to school, please leave it in your locker during the day.
- **Cell phones/Internet-based Watches** are not to be carried around or used by students during the school day. Students who have cell phones/internet-based watches must leave them in their locker.
 - Violating this rule will result in the device being confiscated until the end of the school day.
 - A second infraction will result in the parent having to pick the device up from the office.
 - A third infraction will result in the parent having to pick up the device and the student will have to check the device into the office daily.
- **Public display of affections**, (e.g., kissing, embracing, hand-holding, etc.) are not appropriate in a school setting.
- **Sunflower seeds, candy, gum, chips, soda, etc.** are not permitted in school. Any eating and drinking before and after school should be limited to the Commons Area. Students **are allowed** to carry clear water bottles throughout the day.
- **Student visitors** are not allowed at AMS.

DRESS CODE

Good grooming and tasteful appearance reflect well on the school and students of Abilene Middle School. Therefore, students are expected to dress with discretion and appropriateness for the classroom and school functions. The teachers and principal will reserve the right to determine appropriate attire for school. Clothing that is too revealing or clothing that has pictures or slogans of suggestive, indecent, or profane or violent nature are not allowed. Clothing which reveals a significant amount of the torso and spaghetti-strap tops are not acceptable. Shorts that are objectionable because of length, style, or cleanliness are not permitted. Sagging pants/jeans are unacceptable. Students will arrange for a change of clothing before attending class when any of the above dress code items are violated.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education (PE) is an extremely important part of a student's total school program. Most students will take PE sometime during the school year. All students enrolled in PE will be expected to suit up for PE class each day in appropriate PE gear and participate. Appropriate dress means clean gym shorts, T-shirts, sweats, socks and gym shoes. Students should write their names on all PE clothing and keep all items locked up at all times.

LOCKERS

Each student will be assigned a locker in working condition and is responsible for the use and care of it. Defacing and/or damaging a locker is not acceptable and will result in disciplinary action. If you should experience mechanical problems with your locker, please contact the office. Each student must use the locker that is assigned. Please do not share your locker combination with other students. Please do not kick lockers open. **Lockers are the property of USD 435 and are subject to search at the request of the principal.**

SCHOOL BUS POLICY

The school buses will arrive at various times each day and will leave AMS about five minutes after the end of the school day. Students who ride the bus are responsible to AMS for their behavior and conduct while on the bus. It is the responsibility of each student who rides the bus to follow the rules and regulations explained by the bus driver. Students who do not follow the rules will lose their bus riding privileges. During suspension or expulsion from the bus, parents will be responsible for transporting the student to and from school and all extracurricular activities.

OFFICE TELEPHONE

Students may gain permission to use the office phone. However, this should occur only when absolutely necessary. Office staff retains the right to deny office telephone use to students who misuse the phone. Students will not be called to the phone from class except in the case of emergencies. The office staff will accept messages and deliver them when necessary.

SCHOOL PROPERTY

The equipment you use in our school is in good repair. We all have a job to do in keeping Abilene Middle School clean and functioning properly. So help out! If you see trash on the floor, throw it away! If you see writing on a locker or wall, let us know.

iPADS

By being in possession of a school issued iPad, the students will agree to the following:

- Students will treat the iPad with care by not dropping it, getting it wet, leaving it outdoors, or using it with food or drink nearby
- Students will not lend the iPad to anyone, not even my friends or siblings; it will stay in the student's possession at all times
- Students will not remove programs or files from the iPad
- Students will not give personal information when using the iPad
- Students will bring the iPad to school everyday
- Students will use email (or any other computer communication) for only appropriate, legitimate, and responsible communication
- Students will keep all accounts and passwords assigned secure, and will not share these with any other students
- Students will not attempt to repair the iPad
- Students will recharge the iPad each night
- Students will return the iPad when requested and upon withdrawal from Abilene Schools

- Students will keep the iPad in its protective case at all times and will not deface, write on or otherwise mark the protective case or iPad
- Students will not take photos or video of other students or staff without their permission. The possession, forwarding or uploading of unauthorized photos or video to any website, network storage area, or person is strictly forbidden and could result in consequences
- Students may personalize their lock screen and home screen with appropriate media. The presence of guns, weapons, pornographic materials, inappropriate language, alcohol, drug, and gang-related symbols or pictures are not permitted per school/district policies
- Students are required to passcode protect their iPad with a school issued passcode
- If illegal software/apps are discovered, the iPad will be restored from backup or reset to factory defaults. The school does not accept responsibility for the loss of any software or documents deleted due to a reset. Teachers, Principals, and Network administrators may review student files and communications at any time to ensure that the iPad is being used appropriately. Students should not expect that files stored on their iPad will always be private. This is a school owned and issued device.
- Consequences for violations of above may result in, but are not limited to, the following:
 - MINOR Violation Consequences: Office Referral, Warning, Detention
 - MAJOR Violation Consequences: Denial of Computer/iPad privileges, In-School Suspension (ISS), Out of School Suspension (OSS), Expulsion, or Referral to law enforcement

RELATED ARTS (Elective Classes)

Students at AMS will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of related arts classes to enhance their education. 7th & 8th graders take these classes on a semester basis, while 6th graders take them on a quarter basis:

- **Art**
- **Band** - YEAR LONG CLASS
- **FACS** (Family and Consumer Science)
- **Physical Education**
- **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)
- **Vocal**
- **Computer Applications** - 8th grade only

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Abilene Middle School has an after school program for those students who are needing extra work with their class work or just wanting something to do after school. The after school program provides opportunities for students to receive extra homework help, as well as be involved with enrichment activities with community partners. If you are interested in attending the after school program, contact the office.

LONGHORN LEADERS

Longhorn Leaders is an 8th Grade leadership program that helps with the orientation of 6th Graders and new students to our school. They are also involved with helping with school and community projects.

COUNSELOR

The AMS Counselor is Mrs. Wilkins, she is here to help you with any of your concerns or problems. If you are having difficulty with your schoolwork, your friends, or just going through a tough time and need to talk to someone, remember that Mrs. Wilkins is available. She is also available to discuss grades, test scores and provide information about high school and beyond.

MEDIA CENTER

A well-equipped Media Center is available for your use. The Media Center will be open from 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. each school day for reading, studying, and checking out books.

Checking and Loaning Periods: Students may check out books for two weeks at a time. All due books must be returned to the Media Center and fines paid before additional books may be checked out.

Lost or Damaged Books: Students will be expected to reimburse the Media Center for any books or materials they have lost or damaged.

Equipment: When students complete papers on a home computer, they should be printed at home. Sometimes our software is not compatible with personal software and we are unable to open/print it at AMS.

LUNCH/BREAKFAST PROGRAM

A School Breakfast Program and a School Lunch Program is available to every student enrolled in Abilene USD #435. Students may deposit money in their breakfast/ lunch account as needed.

When students reach a negative balance of \$20, they will not be allowed to eat a full meal. However, they will be served a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Starting the first Monday in May, any student with a negative balance will not be allowed to eat a school lunch. Students will report to the Commons Area at their assigned time. Students may bring sack lunches and eat with other students.

During lunch, students must adhere to the following expectations:

- Listen to adults and follow requests the first time
- Know your lunch number
- Share lunch tables with others in your STAR
- Keep food on your plate
- Use manners & inside voices
- Clean up messes that you make
- Clear away trash
- Keep lunch tables and floors clean

- Ask permission to use the bathroom
- Ask permission to be excused to the gym

Students who are unable to follow the above rules will be assigned lunch detention or lose the privilege of eating in the lunchroom, and may be assigned in-school suspension.

SCHOOL NURSE

The school nurse maintains an office in the AMS office and is in the building for a period of time on a daily basis.

Prescription medication and over-the-counter medication must only be dispensed under the authority of the School Nurse's guidelines. Not following these guidelines could result in suspension.

School officials, including the school nurse, are not authorized to administer aspirin or other over the counter medications. In circumstances where medication is necessary for students to remain in school, whether it be "over the counter" or prescription, the school will cooperate with parents in the supervision of medication needs. Parents of a middle school child must submit a "Request to Administer Medication in School" form to the school nurse for a school official to give medication, regardless of whether it is a prescription or nonprescription medication, which releases the school district and personnel from liability.

Should prescribed medications be necessary, the medical persons prescribing the medication must send a written request to the building administrator indicating the medication or treatment (permission for medication slips are available at local physicians or principal offices).

We ask that all medicine be in the original container, or a second container requested by the parent from the pharmacist, when providing for school use. Please note the exact time of day and reason for the medication to begin. The student should have had at least one dose of the medication before taking the medication at school.

The school nurse will be responsible for the overall administration of all medication in schools, and may, in her absence, delegate this to a secretary or teacher. School districts are discouraged by state health officials from giving any medication, and we would encourage parents to limit the medications sent to school with students or requests of the school to dispense medication.

Medications may be given to students during school hours in accordance with the Illness and Medication policy of USD #435.

EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTIONS

Abilene Middle School is committed to limiting the use of emergency safety interventions such as seclusion and restraint with all students. Seclusion and restraint shall only be used when a student's conduct necessitates the use of emergency safety interventions. Abilene Middle School encourages all staff members to utilize other behavioral management tools, including prevention and de-escalating techniques and positive behavioral intervention strategies.

PARENT NOTIFICATIONS

- Parents may call 263-2630 to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and to request access to their students' state assessment scores
- Parents will be notified if their child is instructed for more than four continuous weeks by a teacher that does not meet the definition of "highly qualified"
- The district report card can be viewed on the district website or a copy can be picked up at the Central Office, 213 N Broadway, Abilene, KS 67410

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Parents may pay enrollments fees and lunch fees by credit/debit card.

Abilene Middle School (6th - 8th grades) = \$75.00 fees

Fees are due at time of enrollment. A payment plan may be set up in needed.

USD435 INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

- USD435 is committed to providing learning opportunities for the students. We believe that the use of technology and the internet will increase opportunities for learning in this district.
- USD435 recognizes that it is impossible to restrict all access to controversial materials. We do comply with CIPA(Children's Internet Protection Act) by filtering all internet content.
- USD435 may use, but are not limited to using, your child's first name, displaying your child's work, showing your child's anonymous photo and may allow your child to use e- mail.

Acceptable Use

- All use of the Internet must be in support of education, research, and consistent with the purposes and outcomes set forth by the Abilene Unified School District 435.

Unacceptable Use

- Any use of the network to facilitate illegal activity is prohibited at all USD 435 schools.
- Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm, modify, and destroy data of another user, or other networks that are or are not connected to the internet backbone. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creating of computer viruses. Computer viruses are programs designed to spread themselves and can destroy valuable programs and data. To reduce the risk of spreading a computer virus, files may not be imported without teacher or administrator approval. Deliberate attempts to degrade or disrupt system performance or vandalize any computer system is considered a criminal act under state and federal law and is prohibited at all USD 435 school.
- Transmission of any material in violation of any United States or state regulation is prohibited at USD 435 schools. This includes, but not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening, pornographic, or obscene material, or material protected by trade secret.
- 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.
- Hate mail, harassment, discriminatory remarks, and other antisocial behaviors are prohibited at USD 435 schools.
- Use of the network to transmit material likely to be offensive or objectionable to recipients is prohibited at USD 435 schools.
- Any subscriptions to Listservs or Newsgroups must be pre-approved by the building Internet coordinator/media specialists.
- Any user identified as a security risk for the school district may be denied access to the internet by USD 435.

Penalties for Improper Use

ANY USER ENGAGED IN UNACCEPTABLE USE OF THE INTERNET AND NOT USING PROPER NETIQUETTE, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO THE INTERNET. THEY ARE NOT ONLY SUBJECT TO LOSS OF NETWORK PRIVILEGES BUT MAY BE SUBJECT TO OTHER DISTRICT DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.

If you have questions, concerns, or wish to not have your child participate in the internet activities please call your child's school.