## **Lincoln Academy**

## INSPIRING CHILDREN TO EXCEL

## INTERNET/NETWORK ACCEPTABLE USE

- 1: Use of the Lincoln Academy Network or Internet (both hereafter referred to as the Internet) must be in support of educational objectives. Internet usage will be monitored.
- 2: Any use of the Internet for illegal or inappropriate purposes to access materials that are objectionable in a public school environment, or in support of such activities, is prohibited. Additionally, language that is deemed to be vulgar or using the Internet to defame or demean any person is prohibited.
- 3: Illegal activities are defined as a violation of local, state, and/or federal laws. Objectionable is defined as materials that are identified as such by the rules and policies of the Utah State Board of Education and Lincoln Academy.
- 4: The Lincoln Academy Board and Principal or their designee may determine what material is inappropriate. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
  - 4.1 Any sexual content or language outside of state core.
- 4.2 Any materials reflecting adversely upon individuals because of their race, creed, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender, or occupation.
  - 4.3 Any sectarian or denominational doctrine or material contrary to law.
  - 4.4 Any content that disrupts the educational environment.
- 5: Internet services provided by Lincoln Academy are not intended for personal, political or private use. Students have no expectation of privacy associated with the use of the Internet.
- 6: All user accounts are subject to Lincoln Academy control and may be revoked for misuse.
- 7: In accordance with the Government Records Access Management Act (GRAMA), Child's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and/or Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), no student is to be identified by full name, photograph, etc. over the Internet without specific documented consent from the parent or legal guardian. Students may not misrepresent or assume another's identity or misrepresent their own identity.
- 8: Lincoln Academy shall maintain a firewall and content filters for the Internet.

- 9: Lincoln Academy recognizes there may be occasions where inappropriate content passes filter detection. A student would be expected to immediately terminate viewing the content and notify a school official.
- 10: Students who intentionally try to bypass the firewall, content filters and/or other security are subject to disciplinary action.
- 11: Students may not manipulate, reconfigure or damage Lincoln Academy hardware, software or network settings. This includes, but is not limited to the following:
- 11.1: Downloading, uploading, installing or executing applications, programs or software.
  - 11.2: Customizing computer settings.
- 11.3 Erasing, expiring, or resetting memory cache, web page links, or HTTP location history without prior consent.
- 11.4 Copying system or curriculum programs or files from a computer or the network without permission.
- 12: Students may not violate copyright or intellectual rights by downloading or distributing copyrighted material.
- 13: Students are expected to immediately report to staff members any failure or damage to equipment, programs, or the network.
- 14: Lincoln Academy shall be the final authority on use of the network.
- 15: Any student who violates the Acceptable Use Policy may be subject to Lincoln Academy disciplinary action including suspension and expulsion or legal action depending on the nature of the infraction.