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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The district will give your child access to our educational computer network, including the Internet. Your child will have access to various software applications, hundreds of databases, libraries and computer services from all over the world through the Internet and other electronic information systems.

The Internet is a system that links smaller networks creating a large and diverse network. The Internet allows students the opportunity to reach out to many other people to share information, learn concepts and research subjects by the sending and receiving of messages using a computer and a wide area network.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. It is important that you and your child read the enclosed district Computer Network for Education Regulation and discuss these requirements together. You and your child should understand that inappropriate network use would result in the loss of the privilege to use this educational tool.

Please refer to the Computer Network for Education Policy (#4526) in the "Parents" section on our website (www.eischools.org). The district will attempt to discourage access to objectionable material and communications. However, in spite of our efforts to establish regulations governing use, the district's computer network and student access to the Internet, a variety of inappropriate and offensive materials is available over the Internet and it may be possible for your child to access these materials inadvertently or if he/she chooses to behave irresponsibly. In addition, it is possible for undesirable or ill-intended individuals to communicate with your child over the Internet. There are no practical means for the district to prevent this from happening, and your child must take responsibility to avoid such communications if they are initiated.

Please also be advised that as per our Student Code of Conduct, "Engaging in, on or off campus misconduct that endangers or threatens the health and safety of students or staff or disrupts the educational process, will not be tolerated."

I have included the above information so you can discuss this with your child and emphasize the appropriate behavior that is expected of them.

If you would like your child to not have access to the district's computer network and the Internet, please contact the main office of your child's school.

Sincerely,

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