SECTION: OPERATIONS

HAMPTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: COMPUTER USE

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815.2. COMPUTER USE

1. Purpose

The district believes that access to information and the resources of technology are crucial in the modern society and are privileges for all students and staff to use within the context of the educational mission of the district. All privileges carry responsibilities, and responsible use of technology is no different. The aim of the district is not to limit or censor, but rather to guarantee that free access to information continues to be available to all users in a way that recognizes and respects the legal, moral and ethical responsibilities entailed.

2. Guidelines

Users shall have the following responsibilities:

- 1. All uses of technology must conform with the educational mission of the district and be legal, moral and ethical.
- 2. Students are responsible for the security of their own account through proper password management techniques.
- 3. Students may use their own accounts only and shall not permit others to use their accounts.
- 4. System security must be respected, and all security breaches should be reported to the system administrators immediately.
- 5. Users may not attempt to defeat system security by trying to break into unauthorized directories, files, etc.
- 6. In order to ensure the proper use of the equipment and services, the district and system administrators shall maintain the right to monitor the use of technology when necessary and to investigate reported or suspected breaches of Board policy.
- 7. Users must respect the rights of all other users; therefore, priority will be given to classes rather than individuals.
- 8. Game play is not permitted unless deemed to be educationally appropriate and approved by the teacher or principal
- 9. Violations of copyright laws will not be tolerated.

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	10. Use of the Internet must conform with the educational mission of the district and be legal, moral, ethical and respectful of others.
	11. Use of each portion of the Internet must conform to the policies of the organization sponsoring that portion of the Internet.
Pol. 815	12. Use of the Internet must conform to Board policy on acceptable use.
	Violations of computer use shall result in the following:
	1. A student who violates this policy must meet with the administration and staff so that the student may clearly understand his/her responsibilities and be enabled to meet these fully. For a serious violation, a student may lose computer and/or network accessibility privileges.
	2. Subsequent violations will result in a temporary suspension of the privilege of using technology within the district.
	3. Continued violations will result in permanent suspension of privileges.