ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Boy Scout Troop 222 & Venturing Crew 222

BSA222 | Grafton, NY

ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY & PHOTO RELEASE STATEMENT
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Definition

The term "BSA222" in this document is to be defined as the name regarding both Boy Scout Troop 222 & Venturing Crew 222 of Grafton, New York.

Introduction

The Acceptable Use Policy outlines the guidelines and behaviors that users are expected to follow when using troop and crew technologies or when using personally- owned devices on the campus.

- The BSA222 network is intended for education purposes.
- All activity over the network or using district technologies may be monitored and retained.
- Access to online content via the network WILL be restricted in accordance with our policies and federal regulations, such as the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA).
- Members are expected to follow the same rules for good behavior and respectful conduct online as offline.
- Misuse of troop and crew resources can result in disciplinary action.
- BSA222 makes a reasonable effort to ensure students' safety and security online, but will not be held accountable for any harm or damages that result from use of BSA222 technologies.
- Users of the BSA222 network or other technologies are expected to alert the IT administrator immediately of any concerns for safety or security.

Technologies Covered

Boy Scout Troop 222 & Venturing Crew 222 may provide Internet access, desktop computers, online collaboration capabilities, message boards, email, and more.

As new technologies emerge, BSA222 will attempt to provide access to them. The policies outlined in this document are intended to cover all available technologies, not just those specifically listed.

Usage Policies

All technologies provided by the district are intended for education purposes. All users are expected to use good judgment and to follow the specifics of this document as well as the spirit of it: be respectful, responsible, safe, and ready to learn; don't try to get around technological protection measures; use good common sense; and ask if you don't know

External Storage Devices

All external storage devices use must comply with all terms and conditions of this policy.

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Web Access
BSA222 provides its users with access to the Internet, including web sites, resources, content, and online tools. That access will be restricted in compliance with CIPA regulations and BSA222 policies. Web browsing may be monitored and web activity records may be retained indefinitely.
Uses are expected to respect that the web filter is a safety precaution, and should not try to circumvent it when browsing the Web. If a site is blocked and a user believes it shouldn't be, the user should follow organization protocol to alert an IT staff member or submit the site for review.

Email
BSA222 may provide users with email accounts for the purpose of scouting-related communication. Availability and use may be restricted based on scouting policies.
If users are provided with email accounts, they should be used with care. Users should not send personal information; should not attempt to open files or follow links from unknown or untrusted origin; should use appropriate language; and should only communicate with other people as allowed by the BSA222 policy.
Users are expected to communicate with the same appropriate, safe, mindful, courteous conduct online as offline. Email usage may be monitored and archived.

Social/Web 2.0/Collaborative Content
Recognizing the benefits collaboration brings to education, BSA222 may provide users with access to web sites or tools that allow communication, collaboration, sharing, and messaging among users.
Users are expected to communicate with the same appropriate safe, mindful, courteous conduct online as offline. Posts, chats, sharing, and messaging may be monitored. Users should be careful not to share personally-identifying information online.

Personally-Owned Devices Policy
Only current members of BSA222 are allowed to use the "BSA222" wireless network. You MUST login with your current login credentials.

Downloads
Users should not download or attempt to download or run .exe programs over the BSA222 network or onto BSA222 resources without express permission from IT staff. You may be able to download other file types, such as images or videos. For the security of our network, download such files only from reputable sites, and only for education purposes.

Security

Users are expected to take reasonable safeguards against the transmission of security threats over the BSA222 network. This includes not opening or distributing infected files or programs and not opening files or programs of unknown or untrusted origin.

If you believe a computer or mobile device you are using might be infected with a virus, please alert IT. Do no attempt to remove the virus yourself or download any programs to help remove the virus.

Netiquette

Users should always use the Internet, network resources, and online sites in a courteous and respectful manner.

Users should also recognize that among the valuable content online is unverified, incorrect, or inappropriate content. Users should use trusted sources when conducting research via the Internet. Users should also remember not to post anything online that they wouldn't want parents, teachers, or future colleges or employers to see. Once something is online, it's out there – and can sometimes be shared and spread in ways you never intended.

Plagiarism

Users should not plagiarize (or use as their own, without citing the original creator) content, including words or images, from the Internet. Users should not take credit for things they didn't create themselves, or misrepresent themselves as an author or creator of something found online. Research conducted via the Internet should be appropriately cited, giving credit to the original author.

Personal Safety

Users should never share personal information, including phone number, address, social security number, birthday, or financial information, over the Internet without adult permission. Users should recognize that communicating over the Internet brings anonymity and associated risks, and should carefully safeguard the personal information of themselves and others. Users should never agree to meet someone they meet online in real life without parental permission. If you see a message, comment, image, or anything else online that makes you concerned for your personal safety, bring it to the attention of an adult (An adult leader if you are at a meeting; parent if you're using the device at home) immediately.

Cyber bullying

Cyber bullying will not be tolerated. Harassing, dissing, flaming, denigrating, impersonating, outing, tricking, excluding, and cyber stalking are all examples of cyber bullying. Don't be mean. Don't send emails or post comments with the intent of scaring, hurting, or intimidating someone else.

Engaging in these behaviors, or any online activities intended to harm (physically or emotionally) another person, will result in severe disciplinary action and loss of privileges. In

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some cases, cyber bullying can be a crime. Remember that your activities are monitored and retained.

Examples of Acceptable Use

I will:

✓ Use BSA222 technologies for Scouting-related activities.
✓ Keep my personal log in/password to myself.
✓ Follow the same guidelines for respectful, responsible behavior online that
I am expected to follow offline.
✓ Treat BSA222 resources carefully, and alert an adult if there is any problem with
their operation.
✓ Encourage positive, constructive discussion if allowed to use
communicative or collaborative technologies.
✓ Alert an adult leader or other staff member if I see threatening, inappropriate, or
harmful content (images, messages, posts) online.
✓ Use BSA222 technologies at appropriate times, in approved places, for
educational pursuits.
✓ Cite sources when using online sites and resources for research.
✓ Recognize that use of BSA222 technologies is a privilege and treat it as
such.
✓ Be cautious to protect the safety of myself and others.
✓ Help to protect the security of BSA222 resources.
This is not intended to be an exhaustive list. Users should use their own judgment when using BSA222 technologies.

Examples of Unacceptable Use

I will not:

✓ Use BSA222 technologies in a way that could be personally or physically harmful.
✓ Share my personal log in/password with others.
✓ Attempt to find inappropriate images or content.
✓ Engage in cyber bullying, harassment, or disrespectful conduct toward
others.
✓ Try to find ways to circumvent the BSA222's safety measures and filtering
tools.
✓ Use BSA222 technologies to send spam or chain mail.
✓ Plagiarize content I find online.
✓ Post personally-identifying information, about myself or others.
✓ Agree to meet someone I meet online in real life.
✓ Use language online that would be unacceptable in the classroom.
✓ Use BSA222 technologies for illegal activities or to pursue information on
such activities.
✓ Attempt to hack or access sites, servers, or content that isn't intended for
my use.

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✓ Create, share, distribute or sell sexually explicit or other inappropriate
materials.
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using BSA222 technologies.

Limitation of Liability
BSA222 will not be responsible for damage or harm to persons, files, data, or hardware.
While BSA222 employs filtering and other safety and security mechanisms, and attempts to
ensure their proper function, it makes no guarantees as to their effectiveness.

BSA222 will **_NOT_** be responsible, financially or otherwise, for unauthorized transactions
conducted over the BSA222 network.

Violations of this Acceptable Use Policy

Violations of this policy may have disciplinary repercussions, including:
* Suspension of network, technology, or computer privileges
* Notification to parents
* Legal action and/or prosecution

Photo Release

I hereby authorize, sign and grant to Troop & Crew 222 the full rights and
permission to use and publish onto the websites, any and all the photographs and
electronic representations taken of any of my family members at any Scouting
activity or events. No full names, personal phone numbers or addresses will be
used with the photos. Only the first name and the last initial will be used. If I
choose to revoke this permission I will submit the change in writing to the
webmaster or committee chair and the photos of my family members will be
removed within three (3) to four (4) business days.