# CORDOVA Jr./Sr. HIGH SCHOOL



# **2019-2020** STUDENT HANDBOOK

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## STUDENT-PARENT NOTIFICATION

Thank you for reading and using this publication. The purpose of this handbook is to ensure the safety of ALL STUDENTS and to inform parents and students of their rights and responsibilities of being a citizen of Cordova Jr./Sr. High School. We thank you for your help in maintaining a positive climate at our school so that all students have the ability to succeed at their highest levels.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENT-PARENT RECEIVING OF HANDBOOK

I have read the rules and policies in this handbook listed below. I understand these rules and policies apply to all students enrolled at Cordova Jr./Sr. High School. Check both, indicating you acknowledge receiving a complete handbook, and that you understand these rules and policies apply to all students enrolled at Cordova Jr./Sr. High School.

1. Cordova Jr./Sr. High School Policies and Standards	
2. Acceptable Computer System Use Policy	
Student Signature	Date:/
Student Name (PRINTED LEGIBLY)	
ParentSignature	Date://
Parent Name (PRINTED LEGIBLY)	
*This page must be completed, removed, and returned to the office at Cor-	dova Jr./Sr. High.

# Computer Acceptable Use Agreement—Computer System Cordova Jr./Sr. High School

I understand that using the Network Services within Cordova Jr./Sr. High School is a privilege and not a right. My use of this privilege may be suspended or revoked by the school at any time if I do not follow the terms of the district and school Acceptable Computer System Use policies. I agree to keep my password confidential and to properly log off the computer before leaving my workstation. I will never let anyone else use my account.

As a condition of my use of the Network Services, I have read and will comply with the terms and conditions in the Acceptable Computer System Use Policy for Cordova Jr./Sr. High School. I understand disciplinary action will be taken if I violate this agreement.

	Date: / /
Student Signature	<del></del>
Student Name (PRINTED LEGIBLY)	
	Determine
Parent Signature	Date://
Parent Name (PRINTED LEGIBLY)	
Student users must have permission from a parent or gua your child to use Cordova Jr./Sr. High School Network /Inter	ardian. Parent/Guardian – please sign, giving permission for net Services.
a privilege and not a right, and is provided for educational purposes. It to restrict access to all controversial materials. Therefore, I will not be	ditions of this agreement. I understand access to the Network Services is However, I also recognize it is impossible for Cordova Jr./Sr. High School hold the school, the school district, or any member of the school district or for any objectionable material viewed or used by my student. I agree d on the school web page.
"I hereby give my permission for my student whose name and signa School, and where appropriate, to be issued a password and/or account the	ture appear above to use the Network Services in Cordova Jr./Sr. High at will give him/her that access."
(initial) *I do <u>not g</u> ive permission for my student's	work to be published on the school web page.
(initial) ** I do not give permission for my student's page.	photograph to be published on the school web
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Home of the Wolverines!

#### WELCOME TO CORDOVA Jr./Sr. HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to another school year at Cordova Jr./Sr. High School. This is your student handbook for this school year. The handbook is a tool for you to learn about your school, its operation, governance, opportunities, and your responsibilities as a student citizen. The responsibility falls upon the student to understand the handbook and the rights and consequences associated with your actions.

The handbook should be secured in a safe place so that you can refer to it throughout the year. As a student, you need to start building plans today for a productive school year that leads to your graduation and acting as a responsible citizen in the building and community.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The people of the City of Cordova elect the Cordova Board of Education. The Board is directed by the State of Alaska to establish policies consistent with Alaska law. The Cordova School Board consists of five members elected for a term of three years. The Board holds public meetings on the second Wednesday of the month as well as special meetings when declared in accordance with public meeting law for the state. The Board's policy manual presents the school's operating structures and philosophy in detail and is available on the school district's website at <a href="http://www.cordovasd.org/District/1128-Untitled.html">http://www.cordovasd.org/District/1128-Untitled.html</a> by clicking the Policy link on the page.

#### **PHILOSOPHY**

Cordova Jr./Sr. High School is committed to the belief that all students can succeed. Cordova Jr./Sr. High School fosters the development of wise decision-makers who can communicate clearly, think creatively and nurture various potentials, develop positive values and attain personal goals. The school provides opportunities to learn skills and attitudes and increase aesthetic awareness. Through instruction and the activity program, the school teaches an appreciation of citizenship responsibilities in our American democracy. Cordova Jr./Sr. High School assists students in gaining the self-esteem, knowledge, and discipline necessary to choose and prepare for a career and become life-long learners.

#### VISION STATEMENT OF CORDOVA SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Cordova School District is committed to providing opportunities to challenge students to discover, set and pursue their goals. Students shall possess the academic and communication skills, character, personal discipline, and cultural awareness to contribute as responsible citizens. Furthermore, the district seeks to foster a continued desire for learning beyond the classroom and graduation.

#### MISSION STATEMENT OF CORDOVA SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Cordova School District utilizes our unique natural surroundings and active involvement of parents and community to provide a safe learning environment that offers challenging curricula and activities while developing successful, responsible citizens for the future.

## ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the school is an important part of the efficient and effective operation of the building and district activities. With this in mind, the following responsibilities have been assigned in accordance with Board policy and distribution of duties for the operation of the district:

Superintendent of Schools – is charged with the responsibility of administering the educational program within the framework of the Cordova School Board's policies.

High School Principal – is assigned the leadership responsibilities for the high school building and the program of studies carried on therein, including but not limited to, all matters disciplinary in nature, all extra-curricular activities, attendance and communications. Students, teachers and administration develop the educational program within the leadership parameters and limits established by the Board and its policies and procedures.

### **TITLE IX**

No person in the United States shall, on basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Specific complaints of alleged discrimination under Title IX and Section 504 should be referred to:

Alex Russin, Superintendent Cordova School District arussin@cordovasd.org Phone: (907) 424-3265

#### STUDENT'S RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

All students of Cordova Jr./Sr. High School have the right to learn in school without interruption as well as free from fear or intimidation from others. Any school attempting to serve the needs of many individuals must, in order to protect the rights of all, establish guidelines for safe and productive behavior with student safety as a primary guiding principle for the efficient and effective operation of the school in educating our students.

With these rights come responsibilities and each student is responsible for helping to create a safe, positive learning environment. We all must stand up for what's right and take action. We all must earn the respect that we want for ourselves, by giving respect freely to others. Students may learn about their rights and responsibilities in a number of board policies, including BP 0210 GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING; BP 5030 SCHOOL DISCIPLINE AND SAFETY; BP 5131 CONDUCT; and BP 5145.12 SEARCH AND SEIZURE.

#### CLASSROOM/HALLWAY BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Treat everyone the way you want to be treated, with dignity and respect. Students have the right to learn and teachers have the right to teach. Students are expected to promptly follow teachers' directions, support their classmates, engage in class discussions, and to do their own best work at all times.

Students are not to be out of the classroom or library when school is in session. Those who receive such permission for good reason are expected to be quiet while in the halls. Students returning from classes held at the college are to remain in the commons area until the bell rings. In addition, there will be no public display of affection allowed beyond handholding. Faculty is expected to intervene and the principal will involve family members if necessary. Food and drinks other than water bottles are allowed in the commons area only.

#### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE POLICY

In order for students to derive maximum benefits from the district's instructional program and to develop habits of punctuality, self-discipline, and responsibility, it is necessary to maintain high standards of attendance. Active engagement with teachers and peers enhances mastery of the academic content and social skills needed for a productive citizenship. Students who have been absent are responsible for making up missed work. The school will employ Social Emotional Learning (SEL) practices and strategies as a means to understand student matters in order to provide the best possible support for student attendance and well-being.

#### A. ABSENCE

Daily classes count as one (1) absence. Being absent from a class for more than 10 minutes may be considered as an absence. Three (3) tardies in the same class will count as one absence. Students who will be absent for a prolonged period of time, not to exceed 10 school days, need to complete an advanced make-up slip in the office.

## B. ABSENCE LIMITS

The maximum number of unexcused absences allowed per course per semester is ten (10) with a traditional schedule or six (6) with a modified block. (Note: **E. EXCEPTIONS**, below.) Any absence, either for a full day or a single period, must be with the prior permission of the principal and the student's parents, who, it is presumed, will only permit absence for a legally approved reason, such as illness or emergencies.

## C. TARDIES

Tardiness is disruptive to the classroom environment and infringes on others' learning rights. Students are expected to be at their assigned workstations on time. A "tardy" means the student was less than ten (10) minutes late for class. For being tardy, please see classroom rules. Habitual tardiness may result in additional consequences. Three tardies per semester, in a class, will count as one (1) absence.

## D. CONSEQUENCES

Students who have fallen behind on studies due to excessive absences may, at the discretion of the principal, be assigned to additional required study periods beyond the regular school day or week. This extra study time will be scheduled before or after school or at lunch during regular school days, or on Saturdays as needed, to make up missing assignments. Attendance at these extra study assignments will be mandatory and treated as regular periods in terms of attendance until students are meeting minimum standards in all courses.

#### E. EXCEPTIONS

Absences due to any of the following situations will not count toward the absent limit.

- 1. Students with ongoing and/or major illness and under the verified care of a doctor may be granted extra days for absence. Home study may be provided for extended medical leave only.
- 2. School-sponsored activities, e.g., local and regional athletic events,  $AAS\underline{A}$ , etc.
- 3. Death in the immediate family.
- 4. Funeral or court appearances.
- 5. Parent calling the office or sending a signed note within 48 hours of student being home sick.
- 6. Special arrangements may be made with the principal on a case-by-case basis. An advanced make-up slip must be on file in the high school office before departure.

#### EXTENDED ABSENCES

The Cordova School District understands both the importance of being in school and the potential benefits of family travel. Any students planning to miss over 10 days of school should give two weeks prior notice to the office so that a designated staff member may coordinate the collection of work for the student during the absence. It is expected that all work will be done during the course of the absence and turned in upon return to school. The school principal will deal with each request on a case-by-case basis.

#### HOME NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT ABSENCE

Attendance records are kept each period. Every effort will be made to notify parents by phone when a student is unaccountably missing. In the event that we are unable to contact parents to confirm the whereabouts and safety of a missing student, the police will be notified and asked to perform a welfare check. A letter will notify parents when their child is in danger of failing due to absences. These letters will include an explanation of the consequences of the absence limits established by this rule.

#### GRADUATION

High school graduation ceremonies shall be held to recognize those students who have successfully completed the district graduation requirements and earned the right to receive a diploma. In accordance with school-site rules, a discipline committee, consisting of a site administrator and 2 certificated personnel, may recommend to the superintendent or designee that a student be denied the privilege of participating in graduation or promotion activities because of misconduct. No student may be denied the privilege of participating in graduation or promotion activities because of misconduct without a hearing unless the student's parents or guardian, or the student if 18 years of age, waive the right to a hearing, either in writing or by their failure to appear at a scheduled hearing. By waiving the rights to a hearing, the student and parent or guardian agree to abide by the findings of the hearing or review officer.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete a minimum of eight semesters (or the equivalent) of high school work and completion, as well as the following:

English 4 credits (with 1 credit each year for 4 years)
Science 3 credits (with 2 lab sciences required)
Math 3 credits (with 1 Algebra credit required)
Social Studies 3½ credits (with Alaska History required)

Physical Education\* 2 credits
Fine Arts/Foreign Language 1 credit
Health ½ credit
Skills for Living ½ credit
Career Exploration ½ credit
Electives 7 credits
Total Required Credits 25 credits

NOTE: To qualify for graduation from Cordova Jr./Sr. High School, students are required to meet course/credit requirements, and complete Community Service Hours. Participation in graduation ceremonies is based on meeting graduation requirements.

#### **POWERSCHOOL**

Our student information system is PowerSchool and the URL is <a href="http://cordova.powerschool.com">http://cordova.powerschool.com</a>. This allows students and parents to see real time grades, and other information about courses. Teachers are expected to update grades weekly. Parents should phone or email teachers in the event of any question about grades. A Parent Guide to PowerSchool is available online on our website—this guide will walk you through the steps of setting up your parent account so that you can view course and assignment grades and receive notices about important school events.

<sup>\*- 1</sup> credit may be waived through athletic participation and completion of waiver form

#### GRADING SYSTEM

Report cards will be issued every nine weeks. These cards should be shown to and discussed with your parents. It is not necessary to return these cards to the school because you will receive a new card at the end of each nine-week period. An incomplete is given only when a student's work is not finished because of illness or other excused absence. If not made up within 10 school days, the incomplete will become an F. Grades for all subjects, with exception of Advanced Placement courses will be counted as follows:

	WF= Withdrawal Failing	
	$\mathbf{F} = 0.0$	I = Incomplete
D+ = 1.3	D = 1.0	D - = 0.7
C + = 2.3	C = 2.0	C - = 1.7
B+ = 3.3	$\mathbf{B} = 3.0$	B - = 2.7
	$\mathbf{A} = 4.0$	A = 3.7

The District wishes to encourage students to take Advanced Placement courses in academic subjects. Because of the extra work involved, the evaluation system shall be weighted to reflect the more rigorous nature of these courses. Grades received in these courses will be counted on the following scale:

	$\mathbf{A} = 5.0$	A - = 4.7
B + = 4.3	$\mathbf{B} = 4.0$	B - = 3.7
C + = 3.3	C = 3.0	C = 2.7
D + = 2.3	$\mathbf{D} = 2.0$	D - = 1.7
	$\mathbf{F} = 0.0$	I = Incomplete
	WF= Withdrawal Failing	

Students enrolled in an AP course are expected to take the AP exam. Students who fail to complete the AP exam will have the course title and grade changed to reflect standard level coursework for both semesters.

#### **GRADING SCALE**

The Cordova Junior-Senior High School grading scale is as follows:

A 100–93%	A- 92 – 90%	B + 89 - 87%
B86 - 83%	B-82-80%	C+79-77%
C76 - 73%	C-72-70%	D+69-67%
D 66 – 63%	D-62-60%	F Below 60%

## CITIZENSHIP GRADE

A citizenship grade is given for every class in addition to an academic grade. This citizenship grade allows the teacher to communicate the quality of the student's behavior, apart from his/her academic performance. Performance ratings will include:

+ Superior (2 pts.)
S Satisfactory (1 pt.)
- Needs Improvement (0 pt.)
U Unsatisfactory (-1 pt.)

If a student demonstrates positive behaviors on a consistent basis that the teacher deems is above the standard of Satisfactory (S), the teacher may upgrade the student to Superior (+). Those behaviors that can allow a student to gain a Superior (+) grade for citizenship are, but are not limited to, the following:

Ш	Attend class regularly and are on time
	Come to class prepared on a regular basis
	Pay attention and are actively engaged in their own learning
	Help classmates succeed or support of others that may be having difficulty
	Ask thoughtful questions and seeks to understand
	Respect for themselves and others.
	Are courteous and kind to others, as well as staff, without prompting
	Protection of school property

Any student receiving less than satisfactory citizenship is ineligible for the Honor Roll. Citizenship grades also affect eligibility for extracurricular activities and school-sponsored activities. The following are possible infractions or causes for consideration of lowering the Citizenship Grade, but are not limited to:

Excessive absenteeism or tardiness
Lack of class materials on a regular basis
Inattention in class, repeatedly

Ц	Disrupting or annoying classmates during class time or in nailways
	Destruction of school property
	Lack of cooperation
	Rudeness, lack of courtesy toward others
	Excessive talking or mischief causing a disruption to the school environment
	Cheating or plagiarizing on assignments or assessments

Teachers will contact parents when changing a citizenship grade to Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory.

A minimum of five (5) citizenship points is required for eligibility. Students who feel their citizenship grade is unfair may appeal to the Principal.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE GIVE BACK HOURS

Cordova Jr./Sr. High School wishes to instill a spirit of volunteerism in each student. Each year 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders are required to volunteer ten (10) hours. This is a graduation requirement.

## **Students in grades 10 - 12**

If hours are not done by the end of the previous year, students will be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, but **will not be allowed to travel** for any extra-curricular activities until hours are completed and the signed log and 2-paragraph reflection are proper documentation is turned into the office.

#### Students in grade 9 - 12

Five hours will need to must be completed by the end of first semester; hours completed during the summer between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade will count. Students who have not finished their hours and reflection turned in proper documentation at the start of 2nd semester will be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, but will not be allowed to travel tog in those activities until hours are completed and the signed log and 1-paragraph reflection are proper documentation is turned in to the office.

#### ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Cordova Jr./Sr. High School is committed to academic integrity and has set forth the following guidelines to ensure that students are held to high standards of academic ethics. Adherence to a strict code of ethical behavior is the responsibility of every student. The following constitutes academic fraud and violates the school's academic integrity policy.

### 1. Submitting work which is not original

Students may not obtain work, assignments, projects or writing from others (parents, students, tutors, etc.) or from Internet or print sources. Failing to credit original sources for words or ideas is plagiarism. Students may not "borrow" phrases, sentences or paragraphs without quotation marks and appropriate citation. Casual paraphrasing does not make the work original. Similarly, students may not claim ideas taken from other writers as their own.

## 2. Violating the integrity of examinations/assigned work

Students may not obtain or provide answers from any source during a test/quiz. Nor may students copy one another's assigned work. Sharing information with anyone who has not taken the test/quiz also violates this policy.

#### 3. Falsification

Students may not fabricate data, sources or falsify results in their work. Students may not lie or misrepresent facts to gain an academic advantage. For instance, students may not alter documents/grades, lie to avoid taking a test, lie to avoid turning in an assignment, or lie to avoid accepting a consequence.

## **Consequences:**

Any violation of the above policy will result in the following disciplinary action.

- 1. Parents will be contacted.
- 2. School administration will be notified. Administration will keep appropriate records in the student's file.
- 3. Reduction of citizenship grade.
- 4. One or all of the following may occur: No credit on the assignment/test. Failing grade for the quarter.

 $Students\ who\ directly\ witness/have\ evidence\ of\ academic\ dishonesty\ have\ an\ ethical\ responsibility\ to\ take\ appropriate\ action.$ 

## EVALUATION OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

A complete record of grades earned, activities, conduct, test results, and attendance is maintained in the high school office. Each student has a transcript and a cumulative folder. The permanent record shows the courses taken, grades, number of credits earned, attendance and awards earned. The cumulative personal folder contains test results, biographical data, medical records, citizenship information, and pertinent documents relating to your education.

A student's school record is invaluable and is used for recommendations to future employers and for college, vocational, and technical school entrance. All information in these files is confidential and will be disclosed only to qualified persons, including the student, parents, teachers, and administrators, as needed, to support the operations of the school.

#### PROGRESS REPORTS

A notice is sent home every mid-quarter to all parents of students in the regular education program. The purpose of the Progress Report is to notify the student and parent of the status of course work at mid-term. Parents with concerns about mid-term grades should contact the teacher(s) by email of or phone. Limited Regular tutorial help may be is available to all students.

#### HONORROLL

Honor Roll will be calculated at the close of each quarter. A student must have an average of 3.0 or higher to be eligible. High Honor Roll is 3.5 and above. Honor Roll is 3.0 – 3.49 Students must be enrolled in a minimum of five classes at CHS to be eligible for Honor Roll. A grade of "D", "F", "WF" or Citizenship grade of S- or U in any class will disqualify a student for Honor Roll.

#### **SCHEDULING OF CLASSES**

In order to maximize educational opportunities while in school, it is expected that all All students must be enrolleded in a full schedule of classes based upon the class schedule each school year. Seven (7) credits or its equivalent is the basis for this determination each semester, but may be adjusted based on course availability and progress toward graduation at time of scheduling. Most classes earn one credit per year or half (0.5) credit per semester. Students may only schedule being a Teacher/Office Aide to a maximum of two (2) credits (0.5 credit per semester) during their high school career, unless undertaken as part of a Cordova Career Ready (CCR) course with approval from the teacher and building principal or designee. The Principal will work with students and families on an individual basis to meet scheduling and educational expectations, which may include CCR, School-to-Work Education Program, on- or off-campus internships, job-shadowing, and independent study/learning opportunities.

#### PART-TIME ENROLLMENT

Students who are enrolled in a distance education school as their primary school may also enroll in Cordova High School. Part-time students will enroll after full-time students have registered.

## **DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES**

Dual enrollment courses are university classes that provide high school and college credit for students. These courses are not required, but are strongly encouraged for students choosing to pursue some type of postsecondary education or training after graduation. Students may register for dual credit courses with the building principal and/or counselor's approval. NOTE: Additional materials fees may be collected for some dual credit classes.

#### WITHDRAWAL

A student wishing to withdraw from school must inform the office and take a withdrawal form signed by the parent/guardian to each teacher from whom the student is currently taking a course. All commitments, including fines, fees, and return of textbooks, must be completed prior to withdrawal. An interview with the counselor and building principal is required of all students who wish to drop out of high school and not enroll in another high school. Students who plan to transfer to another school should notify the office so transcripts can be sent without delay. A student who drops a course during the first two weeks of the semester may do so without any entry on his/her permanent record. A student who drops a course after the first two weeks of the semester will receive a WF grade on his/her permanent record, unless otherwise decided by the building principal or designee because of extenuating circumstances.

## TEACHER ASSISTANCE/TUTORIALS

Teachers will be available after school on regular dismissal days to assist students who are having difficulty with their courses; however, it is the student's responsibility to ask for help and obtain make-up assignments, when struggling or absent from class. Students are encouraged to seek help early in the term to avoid falling behind that puts passing the quarter or semester at risk. Teachers may also be available by appointment at the request of the student or parent to address academic success and assistance for the student. Parents are encouraged to request after school tutorials for students who may be struggling with course content, assignments, and exams.

## **GUIDANCE PROGRAM**

The counselor is available to help all students with personal and school problems and to assist them with educational and vocational planning. However, he/she will not choose a program for you. The final choice must rest with the parent and student. Some examples of help include: class scheduling, graduation requirements, job exploration, post-secondary training selection, information on financial aid and planning for careers and life work.

#### LIBRARY-MEDIA CENTER

The mission of the Cordova Junior-Senior High School Library-Media Center is to help faculty and students be ethical, effective researchers and responsible users of ideas and information through the management of print and electronic sources. As this facility undergoes growth and change, we strive to prepare our students to be informed, productive, and concerned citizens in an information-driven society. Through collaboration, innovation, and support, the Library-Media Center's goal is to help develop lifelong learners by helping them acquire critical thinking strategies and evaluative skills. Students are responsible for materials that they check out and will be expected to pay to replace or repair, damaged materials, or for loss of materials.

#### GENERAL DISCIPLINE

The school is responsible for students' safety and welfare in school and during school sponsored functions; therefore, students are subject to school discipline during these times. It is expected that students will conduct themselves as responsible citizens and make an effort to achieve excellence in their studies. Philosophy of discipline: To encourage positive behavior that enables all students at Cordova Jr./Sr. High School to achieve academic and social success. The school will employ Social Emotional Learning (SEL) practices and strategies as a means to understand student matters in order to provide the best possible support for student attendance and well-being. In order to ensure a safe and drug free learning environment, the following schedule of behavior and consequences in order of priority of concern has been established. The school may request the support of local or state behavior health clinicians or family resource specialists in order to plan for meeting the needs of the student which may fall outside the area of expertise of school staff.

In the event of a conduct violation not specifically listed, consequences may be administered based on the judgment of the building principal or designee.

Students will be disciplined for behavior that occurs off campus if the behavior is clearly either related to school or school activities, and is likely to affect safety or welfare or disrupt the orderly educational process in the District.

The school administrator or the board has the discretionary authority to move to any level of discipline based on the seriousness of the case. Law enforcement may be contacted if deemed necessary.

#### 1. Fighting/Violence/Vandalism

- 1" offense will result in the following:
  - Mutual combat 3 school days suspension (ISS or at home)
  - Assault 3 to 10 school days suspension (ISS or at home), report to police, anger management class/counseling and monitoring required
  - Vandalism 1 to 3 school days suspension (ISS or at home) plus financial restitution
- 2<sup>st</sup> offense will result in suspension or an expulsion hearing before the Superintendent and the School Board, 5-10 days suspension and mandatory counseling
- 3rd offense will result in an expulsion hearing before superintendent and the School Board

## 2. Alcohol, Illegal Drugs (Synthetic Marijuana) and Tobacco

The use and/or possession of products containing tobacco (including electronic cigarettes), alcoholic beverages and drugs (including synthetic marijuana) or drug paraphernalia are prohibited in all school buildings, on school grounds, and at all school activities, including parties, dances, athletic event, and school-sponsored trips of any kind. The school district strongly supports drug-free schools and disciplinary measures to assure that the schools stay drug-free.

Tobacco use or possession: at/or during school and/or school activities

- 1<sup>st</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - 1 to 3 school days suspension (ISS), parent and police notification of each offense
- 2<sup>nd</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - 2 to 5 school days suspension (ISS or OSS), parent and police notification of each offense
- 3<sup>rd</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - 3 to 6 school days suspension (ISS or OSS)

Use or possession of illegal drugs/alcohol or drug paraphernalia on campus or at school sponsored function

- 1s offense will result in the following:
  - 5 school days suspension (OSS)
  - · Report to police
  - 9 weeks extracurricular suspension

The student shall complete the following before re-admission to school:

- · Undergo a drug assessment
- · Participate in a conference with parent and school administrator and sign a behavior contract

Upon re-admittance to school, the student shall:

- · Follow through on assessment recommendations.
- The student will be on probation for a period of six (6) months during which their behavior will be closely monitored
- · Complete 10-24 hours of school service as approved and verified by the principal

2<sup>nd</sup> offense will result in the following:

- Immediate removal from regular school & assignment to alternative school.
- · Report to police

The student shall complete the following before re-admission to school:

- · Undergo a drug assessment
- Participate in a conference with parent and school administrator

Upon re-admittance to school, the student shall:

- · Follow through on assessment recommendations
- Student shall be on probation for a period of nine (9) months, and will be subject to random urine analysis
- Complete 48-72 hours of school service as approved by the principal

3<sup>rd</sup> offense will result in the following:

- He/she shall be reported to the police and expelled from the Cordova School District as outlined in Board Policy 5144.1
- 3. Act of defiance (verbal/physical/dress), inappropriate behavior

#### 1st offense will result in the following:

1st and 2nd offense may result in the following:

- 1 to 3 school days suspension (in house or at home) and counseling required.
- 2 lunch detentions in office

2-offense will result in the following:

1 to 3 school day's suspension ISS, counseling required

3+offense will result in 1 to 3 school days suspension OSS, counseling required

- 4. Truancy or unexcused absence for 1 or more periods for reasons not approved by Alaska law; illness, doctor appointments, family illness, funerals or parent advanced makeup.
  - 1 to 3 school days suspension (ISS or OSS) {all missed work must be made up for ISS suspensions}
  - · Parents will be notified and counseling will be required
  - Assignments/tests and other work given during the period of time of truancy cannot be made up as a natural consequence of the student's action
  - Assignments and tests given during the days of ISS suspension must be completed to receive full and complete grades

## 5. Tardiness

- Each occurrence will be based on classroom rules
- Two consecutive skipped lunch detentions will result in in-school suspension, after two in school suspensions are served for this offense students will then be assigned out of school suspension for the remainder of the school year
- 3 tardies in a class will result in 1 absence
- 6. Discriminatory Harassment/Sexual Harassment

14 offense will result in the following:

• 1-3 days suspension (ISS or OSS)

2<sup>nd</sup> offense will result in the following:

- 3-10 days suspension (ISS or OSS)
- Counseling required

- 3<sup>rd</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - 3-10 days suspension (ISS or OSS) and/or expulsion hearing before Superintendent and School Board
  - · Counseling required

## 7. Bullying/Cyberbullying

- 1<sup>st</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - · Log entry and 2 lunch detentions in office
- 2<sup>nd</sup> offense will result in the following:
  - 1-3 days suspension (ISS or OSS)
- 3rd offense will result in the following:
  - 3-10 days suspension (ISS or OSS)

#### Subsequent Offenses

· Expulsion hearing before Superintendent and School Board

## HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BULLYING and CYBERBULLYING

All forms of harassment, intimidation or bullying via electronic means, commonly referred to as cyberbullying, are prohibited. Cyberbullying also includes, but is not limited to, other misuses of technology to threaten, harass, intimidate, or bully, including sending or posting inappropriate email messages, instant messages, text messages, digital pictures or images, or website postings, including blogs. An individual who redistributes a cyberbullying communication can be found in violation of this policy, even if the individual did not author or create the original communication or image.

Harassment, intimidation and bullying is defined in Alaska Statute 14.33.250 as an intentional written, oral, or physical act, when the act is undertaken with the intent of threatening, intimidating, harassing, or frightening the student, and:

- (A) physically harms student or damages student's property;
- (B) has the effect of substantially interfering with student's education;
- (C) is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment; or
- (D) has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

Bullying is generally unprovoked behavior by one or more individuals to inflict physical harm or emotional distress upon another person or group. The misbehavior may be direct or indirect and may be intentional or unintentional. Some examples include, but are not limited to:

- · Physical intimidation punching, hitting, poking, choking, hair pulling, beating, biting, unwanted tickling, and encroachment of personal space
- $\cdot \quad Verbal\ intimidation\ -\ teasing, tormenting, gossiping, spreading\ rumors, name-calling, ridicule, and\ insults$
- · Emotional intimidation rejection, terrorizing, humiliation, ostracizing, or the fearful anticipation by the victim of future attacks
- · Sexual intimidation sexual propositioning, voyeurism, or escalation to physical contact, includes but is not limited to indecent exposure, pulling down another's pants, etc.

Cyberbullying is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action. Cyberbullying encompasses any of the already prohibited actions – such as bullying, discrimination, or harassment – accomplished through electronic means. "Electronic means" include, but are not limited to, information and communication technologies such as e-mail, voice mail, cell phone and pager text messages, instant messaging (IM), personal Web sites, Weblogs, and online personal polling Web sites. Examples of cyberbullying include:

- 1. Posting slurs or rumors or other disparaging remarks about a student or staff member on any website/blog;
- 2. Sending e-mail or instant messages that are harassing or threatening;
- 3. Taking and sending an unauthorized and unwanted photograph of a student or staff member

The District will discipline a student who engages in cyberbullying whenever the principal has determined that it threatens to disrupt the academic environment of the school, whether taking place on school grounds, or at a school-sponsored activity, or from a private, non-school computer or electronic device.

#### INSCHOOL SUSPENSION (ISS)

Students assigned to In School Suspension are required to participate in defined academic activities in a separate room. In School Suspension or detention may be assigned by the building principal. In School Suspension will run the length of the school day as determined by the building schedule. All detentions must be made up before attending any school function.

#### OUT OF SCHOOL SUSPENSION (OSS)

Students who miss schoolwork because of unexcused absence or suspensions may be given the opportunity to make up missed work for full or reduced credit at the discretion of the Teacher and Administrator. Teachers may assign such makeup work as necessary, but not as a punitive measure.

#### PHYSICAL EXAMS

Students must have a physical exam on file before participation in any ASAA extracurricular athletic activity. Student related injury costs while at school or while participating in school activities may be submitted to the District's insurance company after the parent's personal or primary insurance coverage process has been followed. Students suffering from a concussion will need a doctor's clearance before returning to any activity and will need to meet the protocols as set forth by ASAA for return.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is a learning opportunity for our students to develop and promote commitments to citizenship, scholarship, leadership, human relations and cultural values. The student council teaches and provides the means through representative government to develop decision-making skills.

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores with a 3.3 grade point average are eligible for selection into the National Honor Society. In addition, selection is based upon leadership, service and character as defined by the criteria of the organization. For admission, the advisor of National Honor Society will follow a process to assure that all members meet the criteria outlined. Final determination of entry will be determined by the NHS Advisor and building principal after review of a faculty committee and recommendations are made. Once admitted, the student is a member and must maintain the high standards of Character, Leadership, and Service, which warranted their selection, or they will be dropped from NHS in accordance with the organization's criteria and by-laws.

The Charter of the National Honor Society defines leadership, service, and character as follows:

#### Character

The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics; is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record.

## Leadership

Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

#### Service

Voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic attitude.

## STUDENT RESPONSIBILITES FOR FEES, BOOK CARE, LOCKERS

Certain courses within the curriculum may require a student fee. These fees are collected at the office, where a receipt is generated to show the teacher that the fees have been paid. Failure to pay fees will result in school holding report cards or any requests for transcripts or other documents.

Students will be issued textbooks and the student's name will be recorded with the book number for accountability purposes. The student has the responsibility to return the book in good condition with allowance made for general book wear and depreciation for the school year. The student will be responsible for paying established fees for book damage or loss. Report cards and/or transcripts will not be released until all fines and fees are paid.

Every student is issued a locker and combination on the first day of school. <u>Students are responsible for the contents of their locker and for keeping their combination secure. Lockers are not to be shared among students.</u> The high school accepts no responsibility for theft from lockers. Student lockers are not personal property, but rather school district property, and are subject to search and seizure according to Board Policy (BP) 5145.12.

### SCHOOL DAY

School doors will be open 30 minutes prior to the start of the school in the morning with exceptions for direct supervision of school-sponsored activities or academic courses. The building is closed to student access on all official school holidays and breaks as well as designated in-service days. Student activities may take place on these days with prior approval of the building principal or designee, which include practices for extracurricular and co-curricular events as well as preparation for school activities such as sponsored dances or activity nights. All approved student activities, including practices, must be placed on the school calendar in the office well in advance of the scheduled date.

#### IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT FOR STUDENT ENROLLMENT/ATTENDANCE

State law requires that students complete their immunizations before being allowed to attend school. Proof of immunization record is necessary for enrollment and attendance. This document will need to be provided to the school office and placed on file as part of the student record.

#### **SCHOOLSAFETY DRILLS**

Safety drills are required by state statue to be held periodically during the school year. These drills may occur as announced or unannounced activities. These drills include fire drills, earthquake/tsunami drills that are required as well as safety drills done with local law enforcement and fire and safety. Students need to be prepared for these activities at all times as they may occur at any time during the school day and year.

#### CELL PHONES/PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

When specifically directed by the staff, cell phones and all other personal electronic devices must be silenced and put away, whether inclass or in the hallways, if determined to be distracting, used inappropriately, or in the interest of safety and/or school order.

#### Consequences:

1<sup>st</sup> offense - Phone will be confiscated for the remainder of school day

 $2^{\text{nd}}$  offense - Phone will be confiscated and a meeting with parents held

3<sup>rd</sup> offense - Parent(s) will be required to pick up the phone and meet with the principal. The student may be required to participate in an appropriate restorative practice related to following directions.

Parents are asked to support the school in efforts to reduce the distractions caused by the misuse or overreliance on these devices. Please call the office, rather than a student cell phone, if you need to make contact during class times. Please do not accept calls or texts from students during class times. Consider setting a cell phone/computer curfew at night and enforce it, if need be, by collecting devices before bedtime if challenges persist.

#### SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Students shall dress in a manner that is clean and does not detract from the educational environment and is in effect during the school day as well as any school-sponsored activities such as dances or events such as athletic contests, movie or game nights or class activities whether on school grounds or not. The principal and his or her designees, including but not limited to all district administration, teachers, support staff and event chaperones, will make decisions regarding appropriate dress.

The following parameters are in place for consideration of the appropriateness of dress:

- 1. Undergarments or revealing clothing shall not be visible.
- 2. No hoods or sunglasses may be worn in the school building including classrooms.
- 3. Information on clothing or jewelry shall not make any reference to alcohol, drugs, tobacco, sexual themes or violence as well as any clothing or jewelry that may disrupt the school that uses offensive, racist or derogatory language or images toward others.
- Students must dress appropriately to meet the safety standards and requirements for laboratory science and shop classes.
- 5. Appropriate footwear need be worn at all times in the building for student safety reasons.

Students wearing inappropriate clothing or jewelry to school or while attending any school-sponsored events will be asked to turn their shirts inside out, change, or remove the item depending on the nature of the clothing or jewelry. Failure to comply with any of these requests or repeat offenses will result in further disciplinary action.

Students who have doubts about whether their attire meets the criteria listed above should ask a school administrator before the dance or school-sponsored event in order to avoid any situations that could place them in at risk of not attending or receiving disciplinary action for non-compliance with the dress code.

#### MOTOR VEHICLES

Students who drive to school should register their vehicle at the office on or before the first day of school, or as soon as practical once regularly starting to drive to school. Make, model and license plate number of ALL possible vehicles shall be registered in case of emergency or security reasons at the school. Further, student vehicles are subject to search with reasonable suspicion when parked on school grounds.

Students should take great care when parking and driving near the school. Students are asked to park in front of the school building if possible for reasons of safety and security. Small children may be walking in the area and can be difficult to see. Please drive slowly and cautiously. Student operated vehicles may not be used to travel to and from off campus class activities unless prior approval from the building principal or designee and consent form is on file at the office. Cases of speeding or reckless driving and improper parking will be reported to the police department and revocation of driving privileges to the school will occur. Also, student vehicles should be locked at all times while on school grounds as the school district assumes no responsibility for automobiles or property taken from vehicles while on school grounds.

#### MEAL SERVICE

Breakfast Meal Prices	Lunch Meal Prices	
Adult/Guest\$3.00	Adult/Guest\$5.50	
	Adult/Guest Salad\$3.25	

#### PARENTS AND VISITORS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

ALL PARENTS AND VISITORS to the school must check in to the office and receive a visitor's pass. The check in sheet is located at the front office counter. Any individual visiting the school must sign in and place time of entry and exit to the building for security and safety reasons. Only enrolled students in grades 7-12, or elementary students on day trips, may be in the school building during school hours.

#### SCHOOL DANCES

School dances are school-sponsored activities where all school rules apply. Dances must be scheduled five (5) school days prior to the event and approved by the advisor and building principal or designee. Students will not be allowed to leave and return while dances are in progress. All dances are restricted to high school students unless the principal has given special permission for visitors with prior written authorization. Dances will end at the approved time on or before midnight.

#### **GUN FREE SCHOOLS**

Any student who is determined to have brought a gun or other firearm to a school in the district shall be expelled from the district for a period of not less than one year. The Board may, on its own initiative or on the recommendation of the Superintendent, modify the expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis. The term "firearm" means a firearm as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code and includes bombs and other incendiary devices. The term also includes parts from which a firearm may be assembled. (See BP 5131.7s)

#### USE AND POSSESSION OF OTHER DANGEROUS ITEMS

Other dangerous items such as knives, firecrackers, etc., are prohibited in all school buildings, on school grounds, and at all school activities, including parties, dances, athletic events and school-sponsored trips of any kind. (See BP 5131.7)

#### **SEARCH AND SEIZURE**

All lockers and other containers provided to students by the District are owned, supervised and controlled by the District. Lockers and other District provided containers are subject to search by the Superintendent, or designee, who may authorize a District employee to search them at any time. Any District administrator may search a student's clothing, possessions and/or automobile on school premises if the administrator has reasonable cause.

Contraband discovered in the course of a search shall be seized. If the seized item is not illegal to possess, but is prohibited on school grounds, the item shall be returned to the student's parent(s) or guardian at the end of the school day. If the item is illegal to possess, the Superintendent may direct that the item be surrendered to appropriate authorities.

A reasonable attempt will be made to notify the student's parent(s) or guardian before a search has taken place, if practical. If prior notification is not practical, a reasonable attempt will be made to notify the student's parent(s) or guardian after a search has taken place. The notification shall include the reason for the search and the nature of any contraband discovered. (See BP 5145.12)

#### **DUEPROCESS**

Students and their parents have the opportunity to request a conference and/or hearing if they are dissatisfied with the imposition of a disciplinary action.

For the sanction of In School Suspension (ISS), the student will have the opportunity to explain his/her conduct to the principal. Conference/hearing with the principal should occur as soon after the incident as possible. There is no appeal beyond the principal for ISS.

For the sanctions of suspension from extra-curricular activities and/or short-term school suspension (less than 16 days) the student will normally have the opportunity to explain his/her conduct to the principal prior to imposition of the sanction. An informal hearing will be held within 24 hours, if possible.

#### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION

Refer to Student Activities Handbook.

## <u>Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA)</u> {Computer & Internet Usage}

After reading this policy, both the parent and student need to sign the Acceptable Computer Use Agreement on page 3 of this handbook and return it to the school office. Upon doing so both agree they understand the following:

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#### Purpose

Cordova School District has access to the Internet. District staff have been authorized to develop regulations and agreements for the use of the Internet that are in accordance with the district policy statement, and other district policies, including the student disciplinary code.

## **Due Process**

- Cordova School District will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation concerning to or relating to any illegal activities conducted through the district's system.
- 2. In the event there is an allegation that a student has violated Cordova School District Computer & Internet Usage policy and/or Administrative Regulation for CIPA, the student will be provided with a notice and opportunity to be heard in the manner set forth in the student disciplinary code.
- 3. Disciplinary actions will be tailored to meet specific concerns related to the violation and to assist the student in gaining the self-discipline necessary to behave appropriately on an electronic network. If the alleged violation also involves a violation of other provisions of the student disciplinary code, the violation will be handled in accord with the applicable provision of the code.
- 4. Employee violations of the Cordova School District Computer & Internet Usage policy and/or Administrative Regulation for CIPA will be handled in accordance with district policy and the collective bargaining agreement.

#### Search and Seizure

- 1. System users have a limited privacy expectation in the contents of their personal files and records of their on-line activity while on the Cordova School District system.
- 2. Routine maintenance and monitoring of the system may lead to discovery that the user has or is violating the Cordova School District Computer & Internet Usage policy, the student disciplinary code, or the law.
- 3. An individual search will be conducted if there is reasonable suspicion that a user has violated the law or the student disciplinary code. The nature of the investigation will be reasonable and in the context of the nature of the alleged violation.
- 4. District employees should be aware that their personal files may be discoverable under state public records laws.

#### Academic Freedom, Free Speech, and Selection of Material

- 1. Board policies on Academic Freedom and Free Speech will govern the use of the Internet.
- 2. When using the Internet for class activities, teachers will:
  - a. Select material that is appropriate in light of the age of the students and that is relevant to the course objectives.
  - b. Preview the materials and sites they require students to access to determine the appropriateness of the material contained on or accessed through the site.
  - Provide guidelines and lists of resources to assist their students in channeling their research activities effectively and properly.
  - d. Assist their students in developing the skills to ascertain the truthfulness of information, distinguish fact from opinion, and engage in discussions about controversial issues while demonstrating tolerance and respect for those who hold divergent views.

## Parental Notification and Responsibility

- 1. Cordova School District will notify parents/guardians about the district's network and the policies governing its use. Parents must sign an agreement to allow their student to access the Internet through the school district. Parents may request alternative activities for their child (ren) that does not require Internet access.
- 2. Cordova School District and parents have the right at any time to investigate the contents of their child (ren)'s e-mail files. Parents have the right to request the termination of their child (ren)'s individual account at any time.
- The Cordova School District Computer & Internet Usage policy and/or Administrative Regulation contain restrictions on accessing inappropriate material and student use will be supervised. However, there is a wide range of material available

on the Internet, some of which may not be fitting with the particular values of the families of the students. It is not practically possible for the school district to monitor and enforce a wide range of social values in student use of the Internet. Further, the school district recognizes that parents bear primary responsibility for transmitting their particular set of family values to their children. The Cordova School District will encourage parents to specify to their child(ren) what material is and is not acceptable for their child(ren) to access through the school district's system.

- 4. The Cordova School District will provide students and parents with guidelines for student safety while using the Internet.
- 5. Parents are responsible for monitoring their student's use of the Internet if they are accessing the system from home.

#### Access

The following levels of access will be provided:

- 1. <u>Classroom Accounts.</u> Elementary age students may be granted Internet access through a classroom account. Alternately, Elementary students may be provided with an individual account under special circumstances at the request of their teacher and with the approval of their parent. An agreement will only be required for an individual account, which must be signed by the student and his or her parent. Parents may specifically request that their child(ren) not be provided access through the classroom account by notifying the District in writing (or whatever procedure the District uses for other permissions).
- Individual Accounts for Students. Secondary students may be provided with individual Internet accounts. A Student
  Account Agreement will be required for an individual account. This agreement must be signed by the student and his or
  her parent.
- 3. <u>Individual Accounts for District Employees.</u> District employees may be provided with an individual account. No agreement will be required. Employee use is covered by existing employment contracts and existing Board and District policies.
- 4. Cordova School District will monitor authorized student access.

#### Unacceptable Uses

The following uses of the system are considered unacceptable:

- 1. Personal Safety (Restrictions are for students only)
  - Users will not post personal contact information about themselves or other people. Personal contact information includes address, telephone, school address, work address, etc.
  - b. Users will agree not to meet with someone they have met on-line without their parent's approval and participation.
  - c. Users will promptly disclose to their teacher or other school employee any message they receive that is inappropriate or makes them feel uncomfortable.
  - d. Users will not bring software or equipment from home and use it on any computer system.
  - e. <u>Users will not send or accept emails to or from sources not approved by supervising staff.</u>

## 2. Illegal Activities

- a. Users will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the Cordova School District system or to any other computer system through the Cordova School District system, or go beyond their authorized access. This includes attempting to log in through another person's account or access another person's files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of "browsing".
- b. Users will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system performance or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.
- c. Users will not use the Cordova School District system to engage in any other illegal act, such as arranging for a drug sale or the purchase of alcohol, engaging in criminal gang activity, threatening the safety of person, etc.

## 3. System Security

- a. Users are responsible for the use of their individual account and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from being able to use their account. Under no conditions should a user provide their password to another person.
- b. Users will immediately notify the system administrator if they have identified a possible security problem. Users will not go looking for security problems, because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.
- Users will avoid the inadvertent spread of computer viruses by following the standard virus protection procedures if they download software.

## 4. Inappropriate Language

- Restrictions against inappropriate language apply to public messages, private messages, and material posted on Web pages.
- b. Users will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language.
- c. Users will not post information that, if acted upon, could cause damage or a danger of disruption.
- d. Users will not engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.
- e. Users will not harass another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner that distresses or annoys another person. If a user is told by a person to stop sending them messages, they must stop.
- f. Users will not knowingly or recklessly post false or defamatory information about a person or organization.

#### Respect for Privacy

- a. Users will not repost a message that was sent to them privately without permission of the person who sent them the message.
- b. Users will not post private information about another person.

#### 6. Respecting Resource Limits

- a. Users will use the system only for educational and professional or career development activities (no time limit), and limited, high-quality, personal research.
- b. Users will not download large files unless absolutely necessary. If necessary, users will download the file at a time when the system is not being heavily used and immediately remove the file from the system computer to their personal computer or diskette.
- c. Users will not post chain letters or engage in "spamming". Spamming is sending an annoying or unnecessary message to a large number of people.
- d. Users will check their e-mail frequently, delete unwanted messages promptly, and stay within their e-mail quota.
- e. Users will subscribe only to discussion group mail lists that are relevant to their education or professional/career development. Students may subscribe with the approval of their instructor and must unsubscribe at the end of the school year unless special arrangements are made.

#### 7. Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement

- a. Users will not plagiarize works that they find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were original to the user.
- b. Users will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when an individual inappropriately reproduces a work that is protected by a copyright. If a work contains language that specifies acceptable use of that work, the user should follow the expressed requirements. If the user is unsure whether or not they can use a work, they should request permission from the copyright owner.

#### 8. Inappropriate Access to Material

- a. Users will not use the Cordova School District system to access material that is profane or obscene (pornography), that advocates illegal or dangerous acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people (hate literature). For students, a special exception may be made if the purpose is to conduct research and access is approved by both the teacher and the parent. District employees may access the above material only in the context of legitimate research.
- b. If a user inadvertently accesses such information, they should immediately disclose the inadvertent access in a manner specified by their school. This will protect users against an allegation that they have intentionally violated the Cordova School District Computer & Internet Usage policy and administrative regulation.

#### Consequences

- Step 1- Loss of home Internet for 1 month and Internet access at school for a period of at least 1 week.
- Step 2- Loss of home Internet for 2 months and Internet access at school for a period of at least 2 weeks. Meeting with parents.
- Step 3- A check in/out process will be instituted. Computer will be available during instructional time only under direct supervision of faculty member. Meeting with parents.
- Step 4- Meeting with parents, possible loss of computer privileges.

In the event of a conduct violation not specifically listed in this policy, consequences may be administered based on the judgment of the building principal or designee. The school administrator or the board has the discretionary authority to move to any level of discipline based on the seriousness of the case. Law enforcement may be contacted if deemed necessary.

## 2018-2019 Laptop Handbook

## Cordova School District Vision for Educational Technology

Cordova School District will address the needs of teachers and students to use the instructional technologies efficiently and effectively, thereby supporting the development of life-long learning skills by maximizing the technological capabilities of our learning community.

## **Executive Summary**

The laptop program at Cordova School District is designed to give all students access to the finest tools for learning. The purpose of the tool is to increase student learning, improve access to information and give students the ability to monitor, record and evaluate their own education. Ultimately, the student is responsible for his/her education. All graduating students will have the opportunity to take the laptop with them to higher learning institutions giving them a digital portfolio as proof of their learning. The ultimate goal of the Department of Instructional Technology is to support this objective and help the teachers at CSD to educate its students to the best of their ability. Each year this handbook will be reviewed with the staff and administrators and modified as necessary for improvement.

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#### Staff and Student Use

## Laptop Rollout

Each year student rollout of the laptops will occur the second week of school. The user fee and forms will be handed out to the students within the first two days of school. All forms and fees must be submitted to the Cordova School District (CSD) before laptops will be issued. The following are guidelines for student checkout:

- Seventh grade students may not have 24/7 access to their assigned laptop until they have completed the certification program in their ICT Literacy Skills class. (Appendix A CSD 24/7 Laptop Computer Check Off Sheet) in the CSD 2018-2019 Laptop Handbook. This check off sheet is subject to change at the discretion of the classroom teacher.
- Students and parents must sign all contracts, forms and releases before a laptop will be issued.
- · All user fees associated with laptop use will be paid.
- New students must complete ICT Literacy Skills certification program to have 24/7 access to their assigned laptop. The focus of training will be care, appropriate use and responsibility for the laptop.
- Parents new to the district will be encouraged to meet with the technology department for a discussion of student expectations, responsibility and parental supervision of the appropriate use and care of the laptop.
- A member of the Department of Instructional Technology (DIT) will be available for parent conferences throughout the
  year and may participate in parent teacher conferences or other parent meetings as needed to discuss issues or general
  concerns that may arise and to update parents on the success of the one-to-one initiative.

#### **Check-in Procedures**

When students withdraw from school, either at the end of the school year or when transferring to another school out of district, students must check in their laptops, bags and cords with the Technology Director and the DIT. Students will fill out the checkin form and the DIT will re-inventory the machine and assess for any damage charges. The students/parents will be responsible for these charges. Any students assessed damage charges will not have 24/7 access to their assigned laptop until all fees are paid, either with re-entry to the district or enrollment at the next school year. Students that do not pay charges for 1 (one) year may be issued a claim in small claims court for those fees. Listed are example prices for standard, major repairs and are subject to change without notification:

- Severe case damage (top or bottom) requiring replacement \$325.00
- Display replacement \$225.00
- Optical drive (CD/DVD Combo drive) replacement \$145.00
- Hard drive replacement \$100.00
- Power Adapters/Cords \$80.00
- Logic board repair \$450.00 or replacement \$600.00
- Entire machine replacement Market Value

#### Fees/Student Responsibility

The DIT is responsible for inventory and maintenance of all CSD's laptops. CSD allows the students to use the laptop for a yearly fee. For special circumstances, the school site may waive student fees and issue them a computer without the student paying the fee, but the forms must still be signed by the student and the parent and the school site is still responsible for covering the fee.

Students are responsible for taking care of the learning tool they have been issued. In general, misuse of the tool will be a disciplinary referral, while abuse of the tool may result in its removal. Students will follow these guidelines:

- Students will pay a \$65.00 yearly fee for use of the computer. This fee is not an insurance absolving a student from proper care of the machine.
- Reparation for damages is the responsibility of the student. Students who have problems in this area will have their laptop privileges revoked until they demonstrate responsibility to use and care for a laptop computer in a responsible way.
- Procedural regulations for care and use of the computer must be followed. Incident reports are mandatory on any repair to a machine. Disciplinary rules will be administered when regulations are not followed. Removal of laptop computer privileges may range from several days to complete revocation.
- All students and staff will have the option to purchase laptop insurance. Policy will provide coverage that includes theft, burglary/robbery, accidental damage, power surge, vandalism, fire and natural disasters. The premium will be between \$80 and \$100 (depending on model) with a \$50 deductible for any claim.

Students must be enrolled more than half time in order to receive a computer from CSD. Less than half time students will not be issued a laptop to take home. They will have access to a computer to use in any classroom at the teacher's request. They may not take either machine out of the classroom to which it is issued. Any improper use of the laptop will be dealt with as a standard discipline issue at the site level.

## General Laptop Damage/Repair Procedures

Damages to laptops will occur. Students, teachers and other employees are responsible for damages to their laptops. The Department of Instructional Technology classifies damages into three different categories; Abuse, Neglect and Accidental. The DIT will determine which category each damage falls into based on the Incident Report (Appendix B - Laptop/Computer Incident Report) the individual turns in, witnesses to the damage and/or visual inspection of the damages. If an Incident Report is not turned in within 3 days of the damage, it will be assumed the damage was abuse and the individual will be responsible for the full amount of the repair. At the time of the damage, DIT will provide an estimate for repair. When repair is completed, an invoice will be generated and the individual will be responsible for reimbursing the invoiced amount. Should the individual not make payment within a timely fashion, the district will take steps to garnish PFD funds.

#### Definitions:

- Abuse: Willful destruction or damaging of the laptop. This may include but is not limited to: carvings in the case, cracked screens, excessively dented cases, pry marks on optical drives, user attempted repair or high number of keys missing.
- Neglect: Damage that occurs due to inattentiveness. These include general drops or drops caused by cords stretched
  across walkways, liquids or foods spilled in the machine or damages caused by objects being dropped on the machine.
  In this climate especially, cold can damage the laptops, so machines left in cars overnight that suffer damages will
  also be considered neglect.
- Accidental: Damage that occurs due to an accident out of control of the individual. Slipping and falling on a machine are the most common kind of accident. Other accidents may occur, but these will be looked at on a case-by-case basis.

#### Updates, checks and monitoring

Any laptop may be collected by the DIT at any time for any reason.

#### **Backup Policies**

Students and staff are responsible for the documents and files on their machines. It may become necessary to send a computer in for repair and there is no guarantee that data files are safe in those circumstances. As a general rule, all users should backup important files on a weekly schedule. All computers have access to the server with accounts for backup and many laptop computers are equipped with CD burners allowing users several options for retaining important files. Users should always consider what is appropriate for backing up to the server. No music, personal pictures or other personal files should be put on the server. These items should be backed up to CD or some other removable media.

### Web Policies - School Web Page

All content put on the school website generated by students must first be approved by the CSD's instructional staff. Teachers are expected to keep their own pages current and up to date. In general, the web pages should follow the style already in place. All pages should include the approved header and footer present on all the school web pages. Students must also have parent permission to post their work and for their picture to be shown on any student, school or district web page. These permission forms (Acceptable Computer System Use Agreement, Cordova Jr./Sr. High School) are part of the paperwork sent home with the students prior to the laptop rollout at the beginning of the school year or at the time of enrollment.

#### Internet Research and Appropriate Use of the Network/Internet

The Internet is a vast repository of information all students and staff have access to. The district has provided filtering services to help protect users from questionable content, however it will not catch everything. Discretion should be used when using the Internet to watch for questionable content. The DIT will provide guidance regarding search engines for classrooms to use that will help reduce further these questionable sites, but ultimately it is a matter of classroom, teacher and parent supervision. On the other hand, the DIT will work closely with teachers and students to provide limited access to research sites that may otherwise be blocked by the filtering software. In addition, all users should be aware of appropriate network/internet use. Anything stored on the school servers, or files shared across the school network should be for educational purposes. Personal files can be stored temporarily on individual machines, but should be backed up to alternate sources so they can be easily removed from the machine. Email is for school communication and should not be used to solicit business or funds for personal gain. Mass mailings to school employees should be limited to school business and communication. All student issued laptops must remain on the school district's network during instructional hours.

#### Refresh Policy

The Tech Department will maintain a policy to refresh computers on average every four to six years. Some computers may become up to 6 years old if they are deemed to still be useful and run all district software effectively. Since many of the computers, especially in the elementary, may be at least that old, the DIT will phase in the replacement of these machines over the next 3 to 4 years.

#### Student/Staff Purchase of Computers

Both students and staff will have the opportunity to purchase their laptops. Students may purchase their laptops at the end of their senior year only. If a student has been present in the district for their entire high school career, buyout for their laptop will be \$1.00. This is under the condition that they still have the same machine they were originally issued, have paid for any damages incurred, have paid their fees each year and signed all paperwork. If a student transfers in during high school, that student will also have the opportunity to purchase their computer, but the price will be determined by the DIT based on its fair market value and/or depreciation schedule. Staff will be given the opportunity to buy their District issued laptop computers every 4 years of service. Prices will be determined by the DIT at fair market value and/or depreciation schedule.

### **Budget and Purchasing**

The Department of Instructional Technology will have an annual budget for maintaining current hardware and software that is determined to be district level equipment. The final recommendation to the Superintendent or School Board regarding technology purchases will be the sole responsibility of the Technology Director. All curriculum level, classroom level or school level purchasing will be done from individual school or teacher budgets, however the DIT will still review all school and classroom level technology purchases for appropriate content, redundancy and duplication, ease of use and/or maintenance, etc and offer suggestions for alternative resources if the requested purchase is not acceptable.

The following will be supported by the district technology budget:

## Hardware supported:

- · Network Hardware servers, switches, routers (district owned), wireless base stations
- Wiring Backbone cabling, in building fiber, room drops
- End User Hardware all district desktop and laptop computers, video conferencing equipment, network printers and network copiers.

#### **Software supported:**

The DIT will compile a basic software package that the district will support and provide basic training in its use (OS X 10, Microsoft Office, PowerSchool, iLife, etc). Teachers and students should not expect the DIT to provide support for software specific to individual curriculum and classrooms or student projects. The DIT will also be responsible for system software upgrades and upgrades to other district programs. For these purposes, laptops may occasionally need to be collected.

## Non-district Software Purchasing Guidelines

Individuals wishing to purchase software for use in their department or for their class should follow some general evaluation procedures. Since all purchase of software will be reviewed by the DIT, these guidelines will help streamline the process. Site technology personnel are responsible for organizing committees to review and evaluate all software purchases for curriculum specific purposes. All software should support the students' mastery of Alaska State Standards and district adopted best practice teaching strategies. The DIT will assist in these software evaluations as requested by staff members.

## Department of Instructional Technology Support

The DIT will support all hardware and software purchased through its budget either directly or with third party tech support contracts. Hardware supported must be connected directly to the existing network backbone. Not supported by this department are curriculum specific software, local printers, ink cartridges and toner, paper products associated with printers, or specialty peripherals such as high-end scanners or digital and DV cameras.

## Specific Support Policies

Hardware (Computers, Network Printers, District Cameras, Scanners and Copiers)

- The DIT will support all hardware currently owned by the district and all future purchases made by the district.
- All hardware purchased should be approved by the DIT.
- Supporting hardware more than 6 years old may be at the discretion of the DIT.
- For help requests, appropriate forms must be filled out. If it is damage, an Incident Report must be completed.
- The DIT will not supply money for consumable technology supplies such as print cartridges and toner, recordable
   DVD's. The DIT may purchase consumable items in bulk for a reduced price or discount, make them available
   to the
   schools and charge individual school budgets accordingly.
- Installation of new hardware (and software) purchases should be planned ahead of time. If training for students or staff is
  needed, the DIT will make every effort to schedule training within the school and teacher's workday at least a week ahead.

## Software

- All students and teachers can expect as good or better tech support from the district's DIT staff as they would find with any independent commercial provider.
- Curriculum specific purchases should be routed and approved through the DIT. All purchases should be sufficiently
  evaluated and tested prior to approval.
- All software purchased will support the students' mastery of Alaska State Standards and district adopted best practice teaching strategies.

## Cordova School District

## Appendix A CSD 24/7 Laptop Computer Check Off Sheet ICT Literacy Skills

Activities for certification in the ICT Literacy Skills class can include but are not limited to the following:

## Internet Safety/Cyber Bullying/Intellectual Property

- · Cyber Bullying Self Test
- iSafe PowerPoint Presentations
- iSafe Quiz (100%)
- Cyber Bullying Videos (In Class)
- USA-SOS Scavenger Hunt
- My Digital Footprint Project (80% or better)
- iSafe Test (95% or better)
- Signed off on Keyboarding Lessons 1-18
- · Pass Keyboarding Test

## Cordova School District Laptop Handbook and Laptop Care

- · Reviewed Laptop Handbook
- Laptop Do's and Don'ts Assignment
- Laptop Handbook and Care Exam (90% or better)

## Participation and Assessment of Attitude

	Student worked to complete assignments to the best of his/her abilities and with a go Student was appropriately involved in all training discussions.	od attitude.
	Student adequately completed any and all additional miscellaneous assignments.	
Person I	Reporting:	Date

## **Appendix B - Laptop/Computer Incident Report**

For Accidents or Incidents involving student/teacher laptops

Nam e of person respo	onsible for	laptop:
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## Please fill out as completely as possible

Did y	ou witness/observe the incident? Yes No
	If yes, please briefly describe what you witnessed.
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If no,	in your opinion was this Negligent Accidental Vandalism Don't Kno
Were	there any other adults present?_
Did th	nose adults witness the incident? Yes No Name(s)
	If yes, please have them fill out one of these reports.
Did a	ny students witness the incident? Yes No  If yes, please list:
	Student Name
	Student Name
	Student Name
What	disciplinary steps did you take?
_	of machine damaged:  Black MacBook" (teacher laptop)    White MacBook" (student laptop)
_	iBook G3 12" (white laptop)  Other  -

# Appendix C – Laptop Checkout Form Laptop Check Out Form - Beginning of School Year

Date: _	Model: MacBook _	MacBook Pro _	
Student Name: _			
Grade: _			
Item Description	Serial No./Ass	et Tag Number	Condition
Apple Laptop Computer			New / Good / Fair
Apple Charger	N	IA	New / Good / Fair
Carrying Case	N	IA	New / Good / Fair
cover the cost of maintenance and update This equipment is the property of opurposes only for the Academic School material on the machine may result in the school on a date to be requested or soone If the District Property is lost, stole replacement or repair thereof and Borrow Borrower's possession or use of the District Borrower may use the District Properules. Any included software may be use familiar with and to comply with the proves Borrower may not install or utilize software owned by the District and made agrees not to make any unauthorized use The District is not responsible for diskettes or other data storage medium a is not damaged or rendered inoperable by Borrower acknowledges and agrees agreement to the terms hereof, Borrower and to return the same in good condition The District hereby acknowledges reguardian in consideration of the use of condition and repair.  Student's Signature	Cordova School District lyear. Students may not estudent losing their right if the student is dischargen or damaged while in wer agrees to indemnify the trict property, including, ributable to Borrower's userty only for non-commeded only in accordance the visions of such license. any software in connected available to Borrower is of or modifications of such license any computer or electronal Borrower agrees to use any such electronic virus that Borrower's use of acknowledges Borrower and repair.	at deface or destroy this part to use this computer. The ged from the school prior the Borrower's possession he District from any claim but not limited to any cl	property in any way. Inappropriate the equipment will be returned to the to the end of the school year.  In, Borrower is responsible for the in occurring during or resulting from aim for infringement or violation of ance with the District's policies and it is Borrower's responsibility to be of the District Property other than ceipt and Agreement and Borrower's at assure that the District Property session.  In privilege and that by Borrower's and safeguard the District Property ower or Borrower's parent or legal
Indicate on back any damages, dents or in damages to the laptop when it is turned in		are listed, it will be assume	ed the Borrower caused any
Staff Initials			
Person Reporting:			

# Appendix D - Help Desk Request (Hey, my computer doesn't work!)

## For students and teachers

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	s have you taken so far to fix this prob say none.	•

## Appendix E - Laptop Check In Form End of School Year

Cordova School District -Asset Tag Number_
Laptop Serial Number_
Student Name (Print)_
Date_
Condition of Laptop
Case – (Display Case and Display Bezel, Top Case and Keyboard, Bottom Case) Identify cracks on corners and scratches.
Keyboard – Any dysfunctional or missing keys.
Screen – Cleaned and free of scratches and cracks.
Optical Drive (CD ROM and DVD Player/Burner) – in working order
Hard Drive – Computer starts up and builds a desktop
Power Supply – Has all components (power brick, power cord and duckbill adapter) Check overall condition and in working order.
Computer Bag – Is free of dirt, tears, stains, etc. Has all components (strap, and cell phone pouch)
Computer is clean and free of dirt, grime and stains.
Comments – Note any other issues that need to be reported.
I agree with the above information on the condition of my laptop.
Signature of Student_
Signature of Teacher_
Signature of Tech Director_

#### Appendix F - Parent/Student Contract

Cordova School District fully expects that all members of the school community will use the computer systems in a responsible, appropriate, and legal manner. The following are the general terms of this contract:

- 1. The school's Internet connection should be used only for research or information gathering that is directly related to academic assignments or extracurricular projects supervised by the school staff faculty.
- 2. During school hours, game playing, listening to music or watching videos on computers is not allowed unless they are authorized by a teacher and directly related to a school assignment or activity.
- 3. Students in those grades in which notebook computers are required are expected to bring their computers to school each day with the battery fully charged. Computers should be plugged in each night to assure a full charge the following day.
- 4. E-mail (or any other computer communication) should be used only for legitimate and responsible communication between students, faculty, and the outside world. Rude, abusive, threatening, or otherwise inappropriate language is not permitted.
- 5. Students may access only those files that belong to them or which they are certain they have permission to use.
- 6. Files stored within the school computer systems should be limited to those relating to formal school courses or activities. Games, commercial software, or graphic files that are not for a school project or formal activity should not be stored on the school computer systems.
- 7. Music stored on individual laptops will be assumed by the district to be owned by the student. Should district officials learn otherwise, the student will be responsible for any copyright violations. The district will not be monetarily responsible for any copyright infringements on student machines.
- 8. Laptops, wireless cards and laptop bags belong to and are distributed by the school. Management of cords is the student responsibility. They should not be placed across hallways or walkways where they create a tripping hazard. Names on power cords are not to be removed.
- 9. Use of headphones is limited to use before and after school as well as at lunchtime, and at the discretion of District staff.
- 10. No stickers, scratches or drawings will be allowed on the case of the laptops. Names on the laptop are not to be removed.
- 11. Users are responsible for their laptops. If changes are made to the system software, including administrative privileges, the user will be responsible for the consequences of those actions.
- 12. DIT issued protective cases must remain on the computer. Personal cases may be substituted only with DIT approval.
- 13. An unattended student laptop will incur 5 days of lunch detention.
- 14. All student issued laptops must remain on the school district's network during instructional hours.

## Parent Responsibilities

Your child has been issued a laptop computer to improve and personalize his/her education this year. It is essential that the following guidelines be followed to ensure the safe, efficient, and ethical operation of your child's computer.

	I will supervise my child's use of the laptop at home.
	I will discuss family values and expectations regarding the use of the Internet at home and will supervise my child's use of the Internet.
	I will not attempt to repair the laptop.
	I will report to the school any problems with the laptop.
	I will not load or delete any software from the laptop.
	I will make sure my child recharges the laptop battery nightly.
	I will make sure my child brings the laptop to school every day.
	I understand the user fee associated with the laptop is for the use of the machine. Additional repair costs from abuse, neglect or accident will be my student's responsibility.
*I know	that if my child comes to school without his or her computer I may be called to bring it to school.

## Student Responsibilities

Your laptop is an important learning tool and is for educational purposes only. In order to take your laptop home each day, you must be willing to accept the following responsibilities.

I will treat the laptop with care by not defacing it, dropping it, getting it wet, leaving it outdoors, or using it with food or drink
nearby.
I will not loan the laptop or power cord to my friends or siblings; they will stay in my possession at all times.
I will not load software from CDs or the Internet onto the laptop without the direction of a school employee.
I will not remove programs or school files from the laptop without the direction of a school employee.

I will follow the Cordova School District's Computer and Internet Usage policy when using the Internet on the laptop at home and
at school.
I will honor my family's values when using the Internet.
I will not give personal information when using the Internet.
I will not attempt to repair the laptop.
I will recharge the laptop battery each night and care for the power cord.
I will bring the laptop to school every day.
I understand the user fee associated with the laptop is for the use of the machine. It may be applied to minor damage up to the
amount of the fee. Additional repair costs from abuse, neglect or accident will be my responsibility.
I will not remove the DIT issued protective case.

#### **Internet Access Policies**

Your child has access to electronic communication known as the Internet. The Internet is a collection of more than 20,000 interconnected computer networks. The vast domain of information contained within Internet's libraries can provide unlimited opportunities to students.

Students will be able to access the Internet at school. If a student already has an electronic mail address, he/she (may, with permission of the supervising teacher) be permitted to use the address to send and receive mail at school.

Students will be expected to abide by the following network etiquette:

- The use of the network is a privilege and may be taken away for violation of board policy or regulations. As a user of the Internet, students
  may be allowed access to other networks. Each network may have its own set of policies and procedures. Students will abide by the
  policies and procedures of these other networks.
- Students will respect all copyright and license agreements.
- · Students will cite all quotes, references, and sources.
- Students will only remain on the system long enough to get needed information.
- Students will apply the same privacy, ethical and educational considerations utilized in other forms of communication.
- Student access of electronic mail will be through the school network. Students should adhere to the following guidelines:
  - a. Others may be able to read or access the mail, so private messages should not be sent.
  - b. Delete unwanted messages immediately.
  - c. Use of objectionable language is prohibited.
  - d. Always sign messages.
- Students accessing Internet services that have a cost involved will be responsible for payment of those costs.

## Web Page Publishing Guidelines

During their studies, students may be asked to participate in the creation of web pages for a class, or they may choose to create their own page to put on the school web site. Each school web page shall contain a disclaimer statement similar to the following:

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]	"We have made every reasonable attempt to ensure that our web pages are educationally sound and do not contain links to any questionable material or anything that can be deemed in violation of the Acceptable Use Policy."
	Any web page to be published to the school web site will have the approval of the school Webmaster, Technology Director, classroom teacher and the school principal.
	Material to be published must not display, access or link to sites deemed offensive by the Cordova School District's Computer and Internet Usage policy. All published material must have educational value and/or support the District's guidelines, goals and policies.
	The only material to be published on the District web server must come from the designated school or department site Webmaster.
	The web is a very dynamic resource. It is strongly recommended that links to pre-existing sites be checked regularly to ensure that their links are not going to inappropriate sites.
	Student work should not be published on a web site unless both the student and the parent(s) or guardian(s) have signed the signature page. An exception would be if the work is part of an existing publication such as a newspaper or school newsletter.
]	At no time should a student's personal e-mail address or phone number appear on a school or district web page. All e-mail should be directed to the school or site Webmaster.

## **Signature Page - For Students and Parents**

I understand that by signing this page, I agree to the terms of the 2018 – 2019 Laptop Handbook and the Parent/Student Contract including Parent and Student Responsibilities, Internet Access and Web Page Publishing Guidelines (see exceptions below) as outlined in the Laptop Handbook. Access to the Cordova School District computer systems, the Internet and similar communication networks by students and staff is vital to today's teaching/learning environment. Failure to follow established rules can lead to appropriate disciplinary action as well as the loss of access to the Internet or other networks through school accounts. Legal action may be taken where/when appropriate.

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read this contract and understand that access to electronic information resources is designed for educational purposes. I understand that it is impossible for the District to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold the District responsible for controversial materials my child acquires on the District's Wide Area Network.

I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use of electronic information resources is not in a school setting. I hereby

give my permission to issue a laptop for my child and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.
Parent Name (Please Print)
Parent Signature
I have read and understand the terms of the above contract and agree to take responsibility for the laptop I am issued. I understand that by not signing this form, I will not be issued a laptop and will not be held responsible for any laptop. I also realize I will be required to sign and agree to a Check Out Form when my laptop is issued to me.
Student Signature
Laptop Insurance
The Cordova School District is offering the laptop insurance program for the $2018-19$ school year. Laptop insurance is open to all students grades $7-12$ using district owned equipment.
The laptop insurance policy will provide coverage that includes theft, burglary/robbery, accidental damage, power surge, vandalism, fire and natural disasters.
CSD has worked closely with Safeware, a full-service insurance agency with 30 years of experience, to tailor fit our needs.
Rates for the school year are as follows:
Student MacBook \$50.00 Student MacBook Air \$98.00 \$50 deductible for any claim
If you are interested in participating, please sign up and pay the fee at the high school office by Monday, September 16, 2019.
If you have any questions please call the school office at 424-3266.
I desire to purchase insurance in the amount of \$ Check or payment is attached. (Please make all checks payable to CHS).
I do not wish to purchase insurance. I understand that by doing so, I am fully responsible for the cost of repairs or replacement as described above.