

## **Point Pleasant Borough Blogging User Agreement for Students**

In conjunction with Policy 2361 -- Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers and Resources, the Point Pleasant Boro Board of Education reserves the right to permit teaching staff members to generate classroom specific websites referred to as "blogs" for purposes of providing students with the ability to electronically exchange commentary and/or information related to a particular classroom topic. Such blogs shall be generated and monitored by the respective teaching staff member in strict accordance with rules and regulations established by the Board. Any blog so established is considered a virtual extension of the classroom, and therefore all Point Pleasant Boro Public Schools, New Jersey Department of Education rules and regulations shall apply. Additionally, any student participating in a blog generated by his or her classroom teacher shall be subject to the following:

1. Students shall be subject to the rules and regulations set forth in the Board Policy addressing Pupil Discipline/Code of Conduct and Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Use of Technology, and Acceptable Use of Computer Network/Computers and Resources.
2. Students will conduct themselves appropriately when participating on the blog. Students shall not use any profanity or inappropriate language on the blog, and will not make any obscene, profane, defamatory, libelous, threatening, harassing, abusive, hateful, embarrassing, disrespectful and/or discriminatory comments on the blog.
3. Students will not use any acronyms, symbols or any abbreviated forms of any words
4. Students will limit their postings to class-related materials. Students will only post factually correct information, and will try to spell everything correctly.
5. Students will not provide or refer to personally identifiable information about themselves or others. Personally identifiable information includes name, address, telephone numbers, school address, home address, e-mail address, etc. Students will not post photographs/videos of themselves or others.
6. Students will keep their passwords secure, and will not permit and/or facilitate any other individual's access to the blog. Students will be responsible for anything posted in their name. Students will not use any other individual's name or password to access the blog site.
7. Students' postings may be removed or excluded by their teacher or the administration at any time for any reason.
8. Participating in the blog site is a privilege, not a right. Participation in or access to the blog site shall not be considered a substitute for classroom participation. Students remain responsible for attendance, all assignments and course content included within the class curriculum.

9. Students who fail to follow these or any additional rules implemented by the teacher or the administration may be subject to the revocation of their computer, Internet and/or blogging privileges, and may be removed from the participating class.

I have read and understand the above rules and agree to abide by them.

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Student Name (Please Print)

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Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

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Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_