Whitney Point Central High School

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> ***The Mission of the Whitney Point Central School District is to provide an excellent education ensuring that all children maximize their potential, become contributing citizens, and pursue lifelong learning.***

Dear Parents / Guardians: August, 2018

We are looking forward to the start of school on September 6th. We have scheduled the 9th grade/new student orientation for Thursday, August 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in the High School auditorium. If your student will be a freshman this year or is new to the district, we invite you to attend our orientation. We encourage students to take advantage of this time to learn about our high school, locate their classrooms and become familiar with their lockers. We will also meet with all students during the first week of school and discuss our expectations for the coming school year.

The student handbook will be distributed to all students on the first days of school. All parents/guardians are urged to review it with their child as it contains vital information about our school. School rules and expectations, schedules and policies, information about transportation, BOCES programs, NYS academic and graduation requirements, extra-curricular opportunities, and other important information essential for a successful transition to our high school will be listed in the handbook.

Whitney Point is still offering FREE breakfast for all students! Breakfast will be available for our high school students in our cafeteria or in the vending machine located by the Art Room 124. Also, pleases remember that students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch need to resubmit an application each year. Please be looking for this application in the district calendar which will be mailed to each home in late August. Applications should be returned as soon as possible and only one application per household is required.

Student schedules will be distributed at orientation on August 23rd or mailed home on August 24th for students who can't attend orientation. **DO NOT MISPLACE THIS COPY OF YOUR SCHEDULE AS YOU MUST BRING IT WITH YOU ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**. Please check it carefully and note your required and elective courses. If your schedule is not complete or you find an error and need to make a change, please contact your school counselor at 692-8209. Please note your counselor below:

Mrs. Konicki EKonicki@wpcsd.org Last names: A-K   Mrs. Westcott JWestcott@wpcsd.org Last names: L-Z

STUDENT INFORMATION & COMPUTER ACCESS SHEETS: Student information forms ARE ENCLOSED. Please verify all information on the forms, check for accuracy, make necessary changes, **SIGN** (BY GUARDIAN) and return to the main office either at 9th grade orientation or on the first day of school. We will need the most up-to-date contact information for our school files. Computer access forms also need to be signed by a parent/guardian, signed by the student and then returned to the main office of the high school.   Students may not use school computers without this.

We encourage all students, especially those new to the high school, to ask any staff member for help whenever they may need assistance. We are confident that all students will find our staff professional and friendly. We believe that parents and guardians are as concerned with their student's education as we are and we look forward to working together as a team to "… **ensure that all children maximize their potential, become contributing citizens, and pursue lifelong learning."**

Sincerely,

Daniel P. Sweeney

High School Principal

Whitney Point Central School District Student Computer Network Use Agreement
2018-2019

Part I. USE AND CONDUCT

Access to the district's computer network is provided solely for educational purposes and research consistent with the district's mission and goals. Anyone using the system is expected to log on for a specific purpose and is expected to act responsibly and ethically. Any use of the network for activities conducted for personal profit is strictly prohibited. All users are fully responsible for the use of their account, and under no condition should any user share their account or password with any other person. Care must be taken at all times to avoid the unintentional spread of computer viruses, spyware, malware, and/or any other unauthorized software or system. All users must agree to abide by the terms of use
contained in the District's Computer Network policy.

The following is a non-exhaustive list of activities that may result in the loss of user privileges:
- Access to, or transmittal of, any material which promotes the use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, and/or violence or advocates the destruction of property, including, but not limited to, information concerning the manufacture of destructive devices, such as explosives, fireworks, smoke bombs, incendiary devices or the like.
- Access to, or transmittal of, any information which is *harmful to minors* as that phrase is defined in this policy.
- Access to, or transmittal of, any material which advocates or promotes violence or hatred, harassment, bullying, or cyber-bullying against any individual or group of individuals or advocates or promotes the superiority of one racial, ethnic or religious group over another.
- Sharing of any user's login information with any other person.
- Disclosing or transmitting the personal address, phone number, age, work address and/or credit card number of any student or staff.
- The district may provide access to messaging services, including, but not limited to, "chat rooms" and "e-mail" services, for specifically defined educational purposes, only.
- Use of any obscene, lewd, profane, rude, vulgar, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language.
- Forwarding of "chain letters" or "broadcast messages"
- Committing, or attempting to commit, any willful act involving use of the network which disrupts or destroys the operation of the network, interferes with the work of others and/or destroys the property of the district or any person, organization or entity.
- Product advertisement or political lobbying.
- Downloading or using any software not explicitly authorized by the district.
- Any use of the network for illegal, inappropriate, or obscene purposes is prohibited. Illegal activities shall be defined as any activity which is a violation of local, state, or federal law. If any illegal activity is detected, then the district may report the same to, and cooperate with, the proper authorities.
- The use of encrypted data or software encryption programs. Encryption is defined as a means of converting any information into a protected format that serves to prevent others from accessing said information.

Part II. PLAGIARISM & COPYRIGHT

The user 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. Rules for properly crediting research sources apply to the Internet and other on-line computer networks, as they do for traditional printed material. The user will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringements occur when an individual inappropriately reproduces a work that is protected by a copyright. Users will not install, receive, transmit, or make unauthorized copies of the copyrighted software.

Part III. VANDALISM

Vandalism will result in cancellation of network privileges and other appropriate disciplinary measures. Vandalism is defined as any willful destruction of district property, or willful attempt to harm or destroy the data of the Whitney Point Central School District network connection, or any of the agencies or networks that are connected to the network backbone, or any data of another user of the district's network. This includes, but is not limited to, the creating and/or placing a computer virus on the network.

Part IV. SYSTEM SECURITY

Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. If you feel you can identify a security problem within the Whitney Point School District network, you must notify the system administrator, building administrator, teacher, or school person in charge at that time. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Attempts to login to the network as a system administrator or any other form of unauthorized access will result in cancellation of user privileges. Any user identified as a security risk or having a history of problems with other computer systems may be denied access to the network. The installation of personally purchased software and/or use of personally programmed disks on the district's computers and/or network are not allowed without the permission of the system administrator. Care will be taken by users to avoid the unintentional spread of computer viruses. Disrupting network traffic or crashing the network and connected systems is prohibited.

Part V. SANCTIONS

All users of the district's computer network and equipment are required to comply with the district's policy and regulations governing the district's computer network, as well as, if applicable, the student code of conduct, collective bargaining agreements, federal, state and local law.. Failure to comply with any of the foregoing may result in disciplinary action as well as suspension and/or revocation of computer access privileges. Illegal activities are strictly prohibited and any information pertaining to illegal activity will be reported to the proper authorities. Transmission of any material, information, or software in violation of any federal, state, and/or local law or regulation is prohibited.

Part VI. DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES

The district makes no warranties of any kind, either expressed or implied, for the network being provided. Further, the district assumes no responsibility for the quality, availability, accuracy, nature, or reliability of the service and/or information provided. Users of the district computer network and the Internet use information at their own risk. Each user is responsible for verifying the integrity and authenticity of the information that is accessed. Opinions, advice, services, and all other information expressed on line are those of the on-line authors and not of the school district. The Internet contains information pertaining to a variety of subjects. Not all of this information is accurate or reliable, particularly where the advice of medical, legal, accounting or other professionals would be appropriate. Users are advised not to rely on advice found on the Internet. The school district is not responsible for such advice. The district will not be responsible for any damages suffered by any user, including but not limited to, loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, mis- deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or the errors or omissions of any user. The district also will not be responsible for unauthorized financial obligations resulting from the use of or access to the district's computer network or the Internet.

I have read and understand the above. I agree to comply with all of the network policy, rules and procedures.

Student Name: _____   **Grade:** _____

Student Signature: _____   **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____   **Date:** _____