

## Policy, Terms and Conditions For Use of INTERNET

INTERNET access is now available to school personnel in the Alva Independent School system. We are very pleased to bring this access to our schools and believe the INTERNET offers vast diverse and unique resources to both students and teachers. Our goal in providing this service is to promote educational excellence in the Alva Independent Schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovation and communication.

The INTERNET is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers all over the world and millions of individual subscribers. The Alva Independent Schools will have access to:

1. Electronic mail communication with people all over the world;
2. Information and news as well as the opportunity to correspond with the scientists as NASA and other research institutions;
3. Shared, world-wide educational projects;
4. Access to many University Library Catalogs, the Library of Congress, the United Nations and other resources around the world.

With access to computers and people all over the world also comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. The Alva Independent Schools have taken available precautions to restrict access to controversial materials. However, on a global network it is impossible to control all materials and an industrious user may discover controversial information. We firmly believe that the valuable information and interaction available on this world-wide network far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the educational goals of the Alva Independent School system.

INTERNET access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies and regional and state networks. In addition, the smooth operation of the network relies upon the proper conduct of the end users who must adhere to strict guidelines. To assure efficient, ethical and legal utilization of the network resources, the superintendent will provide guidelines for on line use. These guidelines will include a statement verifying the student's agreement to abide by the guidelines and penalties for those who misuse the privilege.

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District #001, Woods County, Oklahoma