

Parent BBS Account Request Form

Users of the HTHS - Internet Bulletin Board System (BBS) based electronic mail (e-mail) and news resources must realize that they are using a service provided by the Monmouth County Vocational School District (MCVSD) as part of the educational process. As such, the rules concerning its use are somewhat more conservative than those governing other forms of written communications such as the postal service.

Please read the following rules of conduct. If you agree to follow them, please complete this permission slip and return to the HTHS main office. Once you have agreed to these rules, an e-mail account will be set up for your private use. With this account you will be able to communicate with students and teachers, not only within the Monmouth County Vocational School District, but also around the globe. Remember that access to the Internet electronic mail and news resources is a privilege that can be taken away if you do not follow these rules.

BBS Rules of Conduct

Copyright laws need to be observed carefully. This applies to software and all written messages. Do not steal other people's work. Give credit where credit is due. Software may not be sent to other computer users unless you are the owner and author of the software. Commercial software (i.e. "warez") may not be stored or transferred on the system.

E-mail is private. Protect the privacy of others, as you would want yours protected. Passwords need to be kept secret; Do not share your account or password with others, and do not attempt to gain access to other user's accounts. Be sure to properly log off the BBS system when you are done sending or checking mail.

Posting credit card information is against the law.

Posting account passwords for this or any other system is not allowed.

Use of the Internet and news resources for commercial purposes, product advertisement or political lobbying is prohibited.

It is unlawful to represent yourself as another user in any form of computing activity, including all forms of electronic communications. Never deliberately impersonate an adult or student on-line.

Any language or descriptive situations that would not be heard or seen on public television and in PG rated movies are considered to be offensive and not allowed. Private e-mail falls within these guidelines when a user receives such a message and it is unwanted.

Repeatedly sending e-mail to a person who has indicated they do not wish to receive e-mail ("mail bombing") is considered harassment and is prohibited.

System administrators reserve the right to read and intercept any electronic mail and/or files passing through the system and to verify the contents of a user's desktop. Keep in mind that your mail may be read by administrators. System administrators may revoke accounts for any other behavior that they deem unacceptable. Violation of these rules may result in the termination of your account.

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BBS Recommendations

Change your password often. Try to make it as long as possible (8 characters or longer is preferable), and try to avoid using proper names or words one can find in the dictionary. Unique spelling or capitalization, numbers and punctuation marks in your password will help keep your account secure.

Attention to grammar, spelling and subject line is important because others will be reading your message without the benefit of an interactive conversation. You want them to see your best work and to be able to find it quickly.

Answer e-mail as quickly as possible because people may be waiting for your response, and mail may take as long as 2-3 days to be delivered on other systems.

Delete your e-mail as quickly as possible. Do not store large files or applications on the system. Storing messages and files that you no longer need wastes the computer resources of networks. **There is a 2 megabyte total limit on all users BBS accounts.** System administrators reserve the right to delete large files and applications from your account if you are in violation of these limitations.

Your name is automatically attached to every message you send. When appropriate include your age, school, and location. NEVER post a home address or phone number to public boards. Giving that information to those you do not know is not wise to do in private messages, either.

Mail access is a privilege that can be taken away if abused. Respect the rights and cultural differences of others. Be courteous and never send insensitive, abusive, or offensive messages. **IF IN DOUBT, DO NOT SEND IT!**

I wish to be provided with a BBS account and agree to abide
by the Rules of Conduct set forth above.

Name (please print): _____ Child's Name: _____

External e-mail address (please print **CLEARLY**): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Your username will be the first two letters of your first name followed by your entire last name (i.e. Jack Wilson would be "jawilson"). Your password will be sent to your external e-mail address and "cc"ed to your BBS account. It is strongly recommended that you change your password once you have gained access for the first time. We DO NOT share parent passwords with students.