

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT DISTRICT'S WIRELESS CAMPUS

The Rye City School District now provides wireless capability throughout its school buildings and central office. A student may access the wireless once he/she and a parent or guardian signs and submits the appropriate Acceptable Use Policy.

Here is some information explaining what this means.

Q: Will the wireless access be available from all areas of the school buildings?

A: Yes. Our vendors have done a careful analysis and have provided us with a 'heat map' which clearly shows the strength of the wireless signal from all areas of our district's schools. In addition, our plan includes the ability to add access points for potential pockets of weakness if needed.

Q: Will the wireless network be available to anyone with a personal wireless device, i.e. smart phones, laptops, etc.?

A: Yes, access to the Internet via the District's wireless network will require that each student and parent or guardian sign and submit an Acceptable Use Policy. Once that happens, the individual will be able to access the wireless network with any WiFi ready device.

Q: Will access to the Internet via a personal device be filtered?

A: Yes. Access to the Internet via a personal wireless device will pass through the same firewall/filter as do all District-owned workstations and laptops.

Q: What does a personal wireless device need in order to access the District's wireless Internet service?

A: A personal wireless device needs Wi-Fi capability.
(Note: Students are not permitted to access the Internet from within the school building through the use of a 3G or 4G connection or wireless broadband network card – students may only access the Internet through the District's *Network* (see Regulation 4526-R3.)

Q: What will a user be able to access via the wireless network?

A: The user shall only utilize the District's wireless Internet service for limited educational purposes, as set forth in Regulation 4526-R3. The user will be able to access the Internet (filtered) and be able to access all URL's (i.e. School Fusion) as they can from a District workstation. In addition, a user can access any applications installed on his/her personal wireless device. However, the District is not liable for any content already existing on personal wireless devices, including but not limited to music/lyrics, movies, pictures, games, etc. There will not be any access to the District's file server(s).

Q: What rules will govern student use of the District's wireless Internet service?

A: Students utilizing the District's wireless Internet service shall comply with the District Code of Conduct as well as District Policy 4526 and Regulation 4526-R3 ("Regulations for Rye Middle School/High School Student Computer Use and Internet Safety"). In addition, students accessing wireless Internet service during instructional time must have the express permission of the classroom teacher. Students shall only be entitled to access the District's wireless Internet service during school hours for limited educational purposes.