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February 3, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hartford Central School UPK registration for the 2025-2026 school year will begin on Monday, April 7, 2025. Parents/Guardians may register their child, who will be 4 on or before December 1, 2025, in one of the following ways:

Download the UPK registration packet available on our district website under the parents tab and mail or
email the completed packet, along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization records, proof
of physical, two proof of residency documents, and a copy of Parent/Guardian(s) photo ID to:

Jennifer Nims Guidance Office Hartford Central School PO Box 79 Hartford, NY 12838

- Download the UPK registration packet available on our district website and return the completed packet, along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization records, proof of physical, proof of residency documents and copy of Parent/Guardian(s) photo ID to Jennifer Nims in the Guidance Office on or after April 7, 2025.
- Call Jennifer Nims at 518-632-5222 x306 to request a UPK registration packet be mailed to you. Please leave a message stating your name and phone number, and she will return your call to confirm a mailing address. The packet, along with a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization records, proof of physical, proof of residency documents and copy of Parent/Guardian(s) photo ID must be mailed, emailed or returned to school at the address above.

Physical and immunization records can be faxed directly from the pediatrician's office to 518-632-5148 and are due no later than August 26, 2025.

The number of registrations returned will determine the number of UPK sessions needed. UPK classes will be created by the end of July and parents will be notified by the first week in August. If you have an extenuating circumstance and need to request a specific session, please contact me directly at 518-632-5222 prior to July 1st. Parents are encouraged to return the completed packet as soon as possible in order to help us best prepare for the 2025-26 school year.

Please feel free to contact myself or Mrs. Nims if you have any questions regarding our UPK program or the registration process.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Shelley M. Dupuis

Elementary Principal/CSE Chairperson

# HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT UPK STUDENT REGISTRATION CHECKLIST



Prefe	rred Session:	(Please Circle)	AM	PM	No Preference	
	Completed	Registration Packe	t:			
	•	Registration Form				
		Student Health Hist	ory			
		Residency Verificat	ion Form			
		Digital Equity Form	n			
		Home Language Qu	uestionnaire			
		Release Form				
		Computer Usage Fo	orm			
	Copy of Pa	rent/Guardian(s) P	hoto Identific	ation		
	□ Copy of Custody Orders (if applicable)					
	□ Copy of Birth Certificate					
☐ Immunization Records						
□ Proof of Physical						
	Proof of R	esidency				
Plea	se Call 518-6	632-5222 Ext. 306 W	ith Any Ques	stions		
		May be Delivered in s@hartfordcsd.org	Person, Faxe	d to 518-632	2-5148 or	
					Office Use Only:	
				Doto D	anairead:	

### WELCOME TO HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL



#### **STEP #1:**

As required by NYS law and district policy, all families must provide the proper documentation to establish residency within the district. <u>Two</u> proofs are required to establish residency. We will accept items from the following list:

Driver's License/Permit
Landlord's Affidavit
House Deed (Renters)
Utility or Telephone Bill
Voter Registration Document

Auto Insurance Policy
Property Tax Bill
Rental/Lease Agreement
House Purchase/Closing Agreement
State or Government Issued Photo ID

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you live with a resident of Hartford and do not pay rent, a notarized affidavit will be needed. This affidavit is included within the registration packet. If you are in a temporary or unique housing situation, please contact our office as soon as possible.

#### **STEP #2:**

After obtaining your <u>Two</u> proofs of residency, you will need to also complete/gather the following set of necessary paperwork:

Proof of Current Physical Completed Student Registration Packet
Copy of Immunizations Records Copy of Parent/Guardian ID
Copy of Birth Certificate Copy of Custody Papers

#### **STEP #3:**

When you have completed all required forms/documents, please call Jennifer Nims, Registrar, at (518) 632-5222, ext. 306 to set up a time to come in and complete your student's registration paperwork.

Please contact Jennifer Nims, Registrar at (518) 632-5222, ext. 306 or send an email to jnims@hartfordcsd.org with any questions.

### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM



<b>Complete All Information Careful</b>	l <u>ly:</u>	Grade Entering:				
Student's Legal Name:		Date of Birth:				
Physical Address:		Gender:	F M	NB	Age:	
Mailing Address (If different from physical address	ress):					
Primary Phone Number (number used to re	eceive automated announcements i.e	. weather closures):				
Family Information-Student lives	with.					
Both Parents	ther D Foster Parent D angements must be provided to the				ng with both parents.	
Parent/Guardian #1- This will be	the FIRST Parent/Guard	ian contacted:				
Name:	R	elationship to Stude	ent:			
Home Phone #:	C	ell Phone #:				
Email:			<del>.</del>			
Employer:	W	ork Phone #:				
Street Address: (if different from student)						
Mailing Address: (if different from student) _						
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Parent/Guardian #2- This will be						
Name:						
Home Phone #:						
Email:						
Employer:						
Street Address: (if different from student)						
Mailing Address: (if different from student)	William .					
Are either parents on active duty in to National Guard)		Navy, Air Force, M Yes, Entry Date:				
Migrant status: A child whose parent across state or district boundaries to ob  ☐ No						
Emergency Contacts (other than	Parent/Guardian):					
Name:	Relationship to st	udent:	Pho	one #: _		
Name:						
Name:						

Brothers and	Sisters: (living in tl	<u>ne same hou</u>	<u>sehold)</u>				
Name:				Age/	/Grade: _		
Name:				Age/	/Grade: _		
Name: Age/Grad			/Grade: _				
Educational D	ata Information:						
Previous School	Attended:						··········
School Phone N	umber:			School Fax 1	Number:		
Name of Former	r Teacher or School C	ounselor:					
Date last attende	ed classes at previous	school:					
Does your child	currently receive free	or reduced lu	ınch? (please cii	cle one)	No	Free	Reduced
Has the student	repeated any grade?	No	Yes	If yes	, which g	grade?	
Is the student re-	ceiving any AIS?	No	Yes	If yes	, please s	pecify:	
Does the studen	t have an IEP/504 Pla	n on file with	the previous dis	strict?		No	Yes
Does the student receive any Related Services? (Speech Therapy, OT, PT etc.)  No  Yes					Yes		
If yes, please ex	plain:						
Central or S  2. Select one of Source American Source Asi sub Isla    Nati   Na	ent Hispanic or Latin fouth American or oth or more races from the derican Indian or Alanth America (including an: A person having continent including found, Thailand, and Vietive Hawaiian or Othe waii, Guam, Samoa, o	er Spanish cu he following a ska Native: g Central Amo origins in any or example, Ca tnam. her Pacific Isl	five racial groue.  A person having erica), and who of the original ambodia, China lander: A person	regardless of ps (check all gorigins in a maintains tripeoples of the India, Japan	race. I groups to the libal affilione Far Ean, Korea,	□ No hat apply to y coriginal peo ation or comments, Southeast Malaysia, Pa	☐ Yes  your child):  ples of North and  munity attachment.  Asia, or the Indian  kistan, the Philippine
□ Bla □ Wh	ck or African Ameri nite: A person having an Signature:	can: A perso origins in any	on having origin y of the original	peoples of I	Europe, N	Forth Africa,	
Relationship to	student (please check	one box belo	w)				
☐ Mother	☐ Father		] Guardian	□ o	ther (spe	cify):	

### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENT HEALTH HISTORY



Education Law Article 19 and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (8 NYCRR) require physical examinations of public school students:

- Entering the school district for the first time, and in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11; and at any grade level by the school administration, in their discretion to promote the educational interests of the student
- In order to participate in strenuous physical activity, such as interscholastic athletics
- In order to obtain an employment certificate
- When conducting an individual evaluation or reevaluation of a student suspected of having a disability or a student with a disability

Student Name:			Gender:	☐ Male	Male	☐ Non-Binary
Date of Birth:			Age:		Grade: _	
Parent/Guardian (person completing form):						
Student's Physician:			Physiciar	ı's Phone #:		
Has your child ever:	Yes	No	If yes, P	lease expla	in and include	e date
Seen a medical specialist						
Had surgery/been hospitalized						
Had a bone, muscle, or joint problem						WW. 17-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-
Passed out or fainted						W
History of concussion or head injury						
Had a seizure/seizure disorder						4
Worn glasses or contacts						
Hearing issues/used hearing aids						
Had braces, spacers or other orthodontics						
Dental Issues						
History of serious injury (broken bones, car accident, etc.)						
Mental Health Concerns				11000		
Please check all that apply to your child:						
☐ ADHD/ADD	□А	naphyla	xis		☐ Anxiety.	/Depression
☐ Asthma/Breathing Problem		-	ectrum Dis	order	Diabetes	
Ear Tubes		ating Dis				t Ear Infections
☐ Headaches/Migraines		eart Con			□ OCD/ODD	
☐ Scoliosis	⊔ S!	kin Cond	litions		☐ Stomach	n Disorder
Other Condition not listed:						

Are there any physical limitations preventing this student from participating in physical education activities or do				
they require an assistive device? (Wheelchair, walker, crutches) $\square$ No $\square$ Yes				
If yes, please explain:	<del>.</del>			
Please indicate:	Yes	No	Please Specify:	
Allergies:			Severity:	
☐ Food ☐ Environmental ☐ Latex			☐ Mild ☐ Severe	
☐ Seasonal ☐ Insect Sting				
☐ Medication ☐ Other:				
Medication at <u>Home</u>			Name:	
			Dose:	
Medication at School			Name:	
(medical order required)			Dose:	
Dietary Concerns			☐ Gluten Free	
(medical diagnosis and doctor's note required)			☐ Lactose Free	
			☐ Other:	
Any special health conditions the school	should	be aw	vare of that are not listed above? If so, please describe:	
In accordance with NYS Public Health Law, it is required that each child entering school into Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten or as a new student to the district have all the required immunizations and a physical completed within the past year at the time of entrance. Each child will also be required to have a physical examination in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11. Due to HIPPA, and to assist in confirming this information, signing this portion of the document authorizes the health office nurse to communicate with your medical doctor regarding immunization status and physical exam. This authorization will continue in effect until you revoke it in writing. A copy of this form may be accepted instead of the original. Refer to school district policy for other health requirements.  Date of Scheduled/Last physical:				
1 2				
Parent/Guardian Signature:			Date:	

## HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RESIDENCY VERIFICATION FORM



Student Name:		
Parent/Guardian Name(s):		
Address of Primary Residence:		
Do You:	e □ Rent □ Otho	<ul> <li>Shelter</li> <li>With another family or other person because of loss of housing or as a result of economic hardship</li> <li>Hotel/Motel</li> <li>Car, Park, Bus, Train, or Campsite</li> </ul>
	dents who are protec	rict determine what services your child may be able to receive ted under the McKinney-Vento Act are entitled to immediate d documentation.
Regulations of the Commissioner of	Education, if the enr	s, and 3717 and Subdivision (y) of section 100.2 of the olling student(s) does not qualify under the McKinney-Vento for information establishing physical presence of the parent(s) epted documentation may include:
☐ A copy of residential lease ☐ Proof of ownership of a ho ☐ Landlord's Affidavit ☐ House Purchase/Closing S ☐ Property Tax Bill ☐ Utility or Phone Bill; ☐ Auto or Homeowner Insur ☐ Voter Registration Docum ☐ Official Driver's License, ☐ Documents Issued by Federal	ouse such as deed or latatement rance Policy; ent; Learner's Permit or 1	non-driver identification;
Proper Documentation Provided?	□ Yes □ N	No
inquire as to the student's residency	and determine that the	School District Board of Education, or its designee, may ne student is not a district resident. Prior to making this nity to submit information concerning the child's right to
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:

## HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENCE LANDLORD/OWNER STATEMENT



1.	I am the owner or property manager of one or more	apartments or other residential units located at, within the Hartford Central School District.
	(Attach a copy of your proof of residence for premi	
2.	I understand thatstudents of Hartford Central School District:	_ seeks to enroll the following children as resident
3.	I attest that these children and their parent(s)/guard (circle) a written lease. This living arrangement be continue until	
4.	Which of the following applies (please choose one)	:
	I am permitting the above mentioned family to payment of monthly rent.	reside at the above mentioned address without
	The above mentioned family resides at the abolease, but do pay monthly rent.	ve mentioned address. They do not have a signed
	The above mentioned family resides at the aboand they pay monthly rent.	ove mentioned address. They have a signed lease,
instru punisl	ar/affirm that these statements are true under penalty ment and the theft of services from a governmental a hable under New York State Law. I further acknowled the to criminal prosecution.	
	Name:	
	e Number:ature:	
J.5.14		
Sworr	n to before me this	
	day of, 20	
Notar	ry Public	

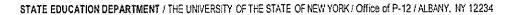
(Please affix stamp or registration number and commission expiration date)

#### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT DIGITAL EQUITY SURVEY



The New York State Education Department is requiring parents/guardians to complete a Digital Equity survey for each student in the family enrolling in grades Kindergarten – Grade12. This survey will provide information on student access to devices and internet access in their places of residence. To assist us in this process, please answer each question below and follow any additional instructions provided for submitting or returning the survey.

Stu	dent Name:			Grade:	
1.	What device will your chil school-provided device or schoolwork.)				
	<ul><li>□ Desktop</li><li>□ Chromebook</li></ul>	☐ Laptop ☐ Smartpho	ne	☐ Tablet☐ No Device	
2.	Who is the provider of the	primary learning devic	e identified in questi	on 2?	
	☐ School	☐ Personal			
3.	Is the primary learning de	vice (identified in quest	ion 2) shared with an	yone else in the hous	ehold?
	☐ Shared	☐ Not Shared	I		
4.	4. Is the primary learning device (identified in question 2) sufficient for your child to fully participate in all learning activities away from school? ☐ Yes ☐ No				
5.	5. Is your child able to access the internet in their primary place of residence?   Yes   No				□ No
6.	What is the primary type of	of internet service used	in your child's prima	ry place of residence?	•
	<ul><li>☐ Residential Broadbar</li><li>☐ Dial Up</li><li>☐ No Service</li></ul>	nd □ Cellular □ DSL □ Satellite		☐ Mobile Hots ☐ Community ☐ Other:	WiFi
7.	7. In your primary residence, can your child complete the full range of learning activities, including video streaming and assignment upload, without interruptions caused by slow or poor internet performance?				
	☐ Yes ☐ N	o			
8.	What, if any, is the primar place of residence?	ry barrier to having suff	icient and reliable int	ernet access in your o	child's primary
	□ Cost	☐ Availability	□ None	☐ Other	





### Home Language Questionnaire (HLQ)

#### Parent or Guardian:

In order to provide your child with the best possible education, we need to determine how well he or she understands, speaks, reads and writes in English, as well as prior school and personal history. Please complete the sections below entitled Language

First	Middle	Last	
DATE OF BI	₹TH:		GENDER:
			□ Male
Month	Day	Year	□ Female
A R E N T /GUA	ARDIAN I N F O :	***	
OMPLETE NAME:			

Background and Educational History. Your				_  □ Maie '
assistance in answering these questions is greatly	Month	Day	Year	□ Female
appreciated.	PARENT/GUARDI	ANINFO:		
	COMPLETE NAME:			
L	anguage Backg	round		
	(Please check all that a			
1. What language(s) is (are) spoken in the student's home or resid	ence? 🗆 English	□ Other	Specify:	RISANACIDA A SIATOM ARTIS
2. What was the first language your child learned?	☐ English	□ Other	Specify:	CONTRACTOR
3. What is the Home Language of each parent/guardian?	Mother:	w	Father	www.delandon.com.com.com.com.com.com.com.com.com.com
4. What language(s) does your child understand?	□ English	☐ Other	Specify:	LONGULANIA MINISTERIA MARIA
5. What language(s) does your child speak?	🗆 English	□ Other	Specify:	□ Does not Speak
6. What language(s) does your child read?	□ English	□ Other	Spacify	□ Does not Read
7. What language(s) does your child write?	□ English	□ Other	Specify.	□ Does not Write
	Educational Hi	story		
8. Indicate the total number of years that your child has been enrolled in school (K through 12 only):				
9. Do you think your child may have any difficulties or conditions that affect his or her ability to understand, speak, read or write in English or any other language?  Yes I No I Not Sure If yes, please describe them:  How severe do you think these difficulties are? I Minor I Somewhat severe I Very severe				
10a. Has your child ever been referred for a special education evaluation	sation in the past? 🗆 No	☐ Yes (*pleas	se complete 10b belo	w)
10b. if referred for an evaluation, has your child ever received any s Type of services received:	special education service	s in the past? 🗆	No □ Yes	
Age at which services received (please check all that apply):  Birth to 3 years (Early Intervention) 3 to 5 years (Special	Education) 🕾 6 years or (	older (Special Edi	ucation)	
10c. Does your child have an Individualized Education Program (IE	P)? 🗆 No 🖂 Yes			
11. Is there anything else you think is important for the school to kn	now about your child? (e.g	g., special talent,	health concern, etc.)	
12. In what language(s) would you like to receive information from	the school?	w		
Signature of Parent or Guardan	Relationship to stud	ent: er 🗆 Other:	***************************************	Date:
OFFICIAL ENTRY ONLY	NAME/POSITION OF	PERSONNEL	ADMINISTERING	HLQ
				W

OFFIC	HAL ENTRY ONLY - NAME/POS	ITION OF PERSONNEL	ADMINISTERING	G HLQ
District Name/School & Address:				Student ID:
Name/Position of Qualified Personnel Revis	eving HLQ/Conducting Interview:			Oral Interview Necessary? □ Y □ 1
Date of Individual Interview:	Outcome of Interview:	☐ Administer NYSITELL	☐ English Profice	ent 🗆 Refer to Language Team
Date NYSITELL Administered:	Proficiency Level Achiev	ved ☐ Entering ☐ Eme	rging 🗆 Transitio	ning 🗆 Expanding 🗆 Commandin

#### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RELEASE FORM



Dear Parent(s) or Guardians(s):

The Hartford Central School District may, on occasion, use photographs or video recordings of students and/or students' original works of art on the district's website, social media accounts, press releases, and/or in district and community publications. If you **DO NOT** wish for your child to be interviewed, photographed, and/or recorded for Hartford Central School purposes or for their original works of art to be displayed through Hartford CSD outlets, please sign the bottom portion of this page and return the form to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Important Note: The District will honor all written requests by parents who do not want their child's picture or name published in any way. However, the District is not responsible for any media coverage of athletic or special events that are open to the public.

Thank you for your cooperation.			
Sincerely,			
Shelley M. Dupuis	Mark Doody		
Elementary Principal	Interim MS/HS Principal		
	terviewed, photographed, and/or recorded for Hartford nal works of arts to be displayed through Hartford CSD		
Child's Name:	Homeroom Teacher:		
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:		

#### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



### STUDENT AGREEMENT FOR USE OF DISTRICT COMPUTERIZED INFORMATION RESOURCES

In consideration for the use of the Hartford Central School District's Computer System (DCS), I agree that I have been provided with a copy of the District's policy on student use of computerized information resources and the regulations established in connection with that policy. I agree to adhere to the policy and the regulations and to any changes or additions later adopted by the District. I also agree to adhere to related policies published in the Student Handbook.

I understand that failure to comply with these policies and regulations may result in the loss of my access to the DCS. Prior to suspension or revocation of access to the DCS, students will be afforded applicable due process rights. Such violation of District Policy and regulations may also result in the imposition of discipline under the District's school conduct and discipline policy and the *Code of Conduct*. I further understand that the District reserves the right to pursue legal action against me if I willingly, maliciously or unlawfully damage or destroy property of the District. Further, the District may bring suit in civil court pursuant to General Obligations Law section 3-112 against my parents or guardians if I willingly, maliciously, or unlawfully damage or destroy District property.

Student Signature:	Date:
School Building:	
	R STUDENT USE OF DISTRICT COMPUTERIZED TION RESOURCES
I am the parent or guardian of	, the minor student who has signed the formation resources. I have been provided with a copy and I have to of the DCS.
potentially allow my son/daughter student access to exterm School District. I understand that some of the materials inappropriate and objectionable; however, I acknowledge available materials. I accept responsibility to set and co	aditional instructional or library media materials, the DCS will ernal computer networks not controlled by the Hartford Central available through these external computer networks may be ge that it is impossible for the District to screen or review all provey standards for appropriate and acceptable use of technology to y other electronic media or communications, including my evice on school grounds or at school events.
I agree to release the Hartford Central School District, t claims of any nature arising from my son/daughter's use	he Board of Education, its agents and employees from any and all e of the DCS in any manner whatsoever.
I agree that my son/daughter will have access to the DC	CS and I agree that this may include remote access from our home.
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Student's Name:	

### PLEASE KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

#### HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT USE OF COMPUTERIZED INFORMATION RESOURCES (ACCEPTABLE USE GUIDELINES)

#### **Program Implementation**

The Hartford Central School District recognizes that effective use of technology is important to our students and will be essential to them as adults. Consequently, the School System will provide access to various computerized information resources through the District's computer system (DCS hereafter) Consisting of software, hardware, computer networks and electronic communications systems. This may include access to electronic mail, "on-line services," "WiFi" and the "Internet." The District shall provide personnel support for such usage.

The DCS is for educational and/or research use only and must be consistent with the goals and purposes of the Hartford Central School District. The standards of acceptable use as well as prohibited conduct by students accessing the DCS, as outlined in District policy and regulation, are not intended to be all-inclusive. Students are held to the same standards of good behavior whether they are using school computer networks or any other electronic media or communications, including a student's own personal technology or electronic device while on school grounds or at school events. In addition to the specific standards of student conduct delineated in this regulation, the general requirements of acceptable student behavior expected under the District's school conduct and discipline policy and the *Code of Conduct* also apply to student access to DCS. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply.

Legal and ethical implications of software use will be taught to students of all levels where there is software use. In addition, the building principal or his or her designee and/or classroom teacher will be responsible for informing District students of rules and regulations governing student access to the DCS.

In order to match electronic resources as closely as possible to the District curriculum, District personnel will review and evaluate resources in order to offer "home pages" and menus of materials which comply with Board guidelines governing the selection of instructional materials. In this manner, staff will provide developmentally appropriate guides to students as they make use of telecommunications and electronic information resources to conduct research and other studies related to the District curriculum. As much as possible, access to the District's computerized information resources will be designed in ways which point students to those which have been reviewed and evaluated prior to use. While students may be able to move beyond those resources to others that have not been evaluated by staff, students shall be provided with guidelines and lists of resources particularly suited to the learning objectives.

#### Standards of Conduct Governing Student Access to the District Computer System

Inappropriate use of the DCS may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or cancellation of access. Prior suspension or revocation of access to the DCS, students will be afforded due process rights. Each student who is granted access will be responsible for that usage. The DCS is provided for students in support of their educational program and to conduct research and communicate with others. Student access to external computer networks not controlled by the District is provided to students who act in a considerate and responsible manner. Likewise, students are expected to observe the same standards of behavior when using their own personal technology or electronic devices on school grounds or at school events. Individual users of the District's computerized information resources are responsible for their behavior and communications over the District computer network. It is presumed that users will comply with District standards and will honor the agreements they have signed.

Student data files and other electronic storage areas will be treated like school lockers. This means that such areas shall be considered to be Harford Central School District property and subject to control and inspection. The computer coordinator may access all such files and communications without prior notice to ensure system integrity and that users are complying with the requirements of District Policy and regulations regarding student access to the DCS. Students should **NOT** expect that information stored on the DCS will be private.

During school, teachers will guide students toward appropriate materials. Outside of school, parents or guardians bear the responsibility for such guidance as they do with information sources such as television, telephones, movies, radio and other potentially offensive/controversial media.

Use of the DCS which violates any aspect of Hartford Central School District policy; the *Code of Conduct*; and federal, state or local laws or regulations is strictly prohibited and may result in disciplinary action in compliance with applicable District guidelines and/or federal, state and local law including, but not limited to, suspension and/or revocation of access to the DCS. In addition to the District's general requirements governing student behavior, specific activities shall be prohibited by student users of the DCS including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. Using DCS to obtain, view, download, send, print, display or otherwise gain access to or to transmit materials that are unlawful, obscene, pornographic or abusive.
- 2. Use of obscene or vulgar language.
- 3. Harassing, insulting, bullying, threatening or attacking others.
- 4. Damaging, disabling or otherwise interfering with the operation of computers, computer systems, software, or related equipment through physical or by electronic means.
- 5. Using unauthorized software in the DCS.
- 6. Changing, copying, renaming, deleting, reading or otherwise accessing files or software not created by the student without express permission from the computer coordinator.
- 7. Violating copyright law, including the illegal file sharing of music, videos and software.
- 8. Employing the DCS for non-educational, commercial purposes, product advertisement or political lobbying.
- 9. Disclosing an individual password to others or using others' passwords.
- 10. Transmitting material, information or software in violation of any District policy or regulation, the *District Code of Conduct*, and/or federal, state and local law or regulation.
- 11. Revealing personal information about oneself or of other students including, but not limited to, disclosure of home address and/or telephone number.
- 12. Accessing personal, interactive sites (such as Myspace blogs) unless under the direct supervision of a staff member. This includes the use of a student's personal cell phone or digital device to access such social networking sites.
- 13. Creating or using a website or blog which may cause a substantial disruption in the school environment or interfere with the rights of others.
- 14. Using digital devices (such as cell or camera phones), electronic technology and/or media to facilitate cheating, plagiarism, etc.

Network accounts are to be used only by the authorized owner of the account. Any user of the DCS that accesses another network or computer resources shall be subject to that network's acceptable use policy.

If a student or a student's parent or guardian has a district network account, a non-district network account, or any other account or program which enables direct or indirect access to a District computer, any access to the DCS in violation of District policy and /or regulation may result in student discipline. Indirect access to a District computer shall mean using a non-district computer in a manner which results in the user gaining access to a District computer, including access to any and all information, records or other material contained or stored in a district computer.

#### Sanctions

- 1. Violations may result in suspension and/or revocation of student access to the DCS as determined in accordance with appropriate due process procedures.
- 2. Additional disciplinary action may be determined at the building level in accordance with existing practices and procedures regarding inappropriate language or behavior, as well as federal, state and local law.
- 3. When applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved.

#### Security

Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. Users of the DCS identifying a security problem on the District's system must notify the teacher in charge. A student is not to demonstrate the problem to others. Attempts to log on to the DCS as a computer coordinator may result in restriction or suspension 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 DCS. Further, any violations regarding the use and application of the DCS shall be reported by the student to the teacher in charge.

#### Notification

The District's Acceptable Use Policy and Regulations will be disseminated to parents and students in order to provide notice of the school's requirements, expectations, and students' obligations when accessing the DCS.