

## WAYNESBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Web Use for Student Blogging

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our goal as a school division is to place technology in the hands of our students. The use of student blogging provides each child with engaging learning opportunities that allow for him/her to succeed and make content applicable to real life experiences.

**Description:** A blog is an online journal that allows a student to post entries. A teacher may implement blogging in the classroom by posting a question referencing class content that is being taught. Each student can respond to this question with his/her analysis.



Students can share thoughts and ideas about the curriculum and learn from others with diverse backgrounds.



Any entry that is created by a student will be reviewed by the teacher prior to being posted online.



Blogging may also be used as a tool for students to communicate with classes across the country.



Students can create nicknames to allow for confidentiality in responding.



Blogging can also open the door for communication between parents and teachers and allow students who are absent to stay informed with classroom discussion.

Blogs can be password protected to increase safety with web use. Waynesboro Public Schools' Acceptable Computer Use Policy and Internet Safety Guidelines will apply. We are requesting your permission for your child to participate in the implementation of this technology initiative. Please feel free to contact your child's school with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

*Please sign and return the Permission Letter to Parents to your child's teacher.*