

Needham Public Schools

"Guidelines for Acceptable Uses of PowerSchool"

1. All of these conditions are applicable to student access, as well as parent/guardian access.
2. The sole purpose for PowerSchool access is to provide academic/attendance data to parents/guardians for only *their* child and to provide this same data to the child.
3. The parent/guardian is given a username and password specific to their child. It is the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian to protect the security of this username and password. The student will be issued a different username and password and also expected to secure his/her access. The district accepts no responsibility in the event the username/password is shared, given, stolen, or in any other way becomes the possession of a person other than the parent/guardian/student.
4. Only the parent/guardian is given the access information via U.S. mail. The district does not give this information in person, via phone, email, or fax.
5. Users must realize that email and other communications via the Internet are not guaranteed to be private.
6. Users shall not attempt to use a username and password that has been assigned for use of another individual.
7. Parents/guardians who would like to meet regarding an issue with a teacher should schedule a meeting via the office.
8. Parents/guardians should be sensitive to the student load of teachers when contacting them: excessive e-mailing can be detrimental to the lesson plan preparation of the teacher.
9. The school may choose to not issue paper copies of home comments and/or report cards at some future date for those who access the academic information via PowerSchool.
10. Parents/guardians of students at the high school or Pollard should encourage their child to make first contact with the teacher when making a grade inquiry. This contact should occur at a time when the teacher is not teaching.