

Student (PRINT) _____ Period _____

Damage/Theft of Lab Equipment

The computer lab you are going to use this semester has many thousands of dollars worth of computer equipment. The school has almost no money for repair or replacement of lost or damaged equipment. Therefore, any student who steals or damages equipment in this lab will, at the option of the teacher, receive an automatic **Fail-U-U** in the class and will be asked to sit away from the computers for the rest of the semester.

Of course, this does not apply to **accidental** damage. I am speaking of **deliberate** (on purpose) damage to our school's equipment. In particular, you may expect to fail the class if you are caught doing any of the following:

- Writing on any equipment.
- Removing the caps from keyboards.
- Removing the mouse-ball from a computer mouse.
- Putting anything into a DVD drive except an undamaged DVD disk.
- Eating/drinking/chewing anything in class. This applies **especially** to sunflower seeds, which are difficult to clean up after due to the amount of wiring under the tables.
- Removing any piece of equipment from the lab without permission, or hiding it on your person or in your backpack.
- Destroying or damaging the data of another student.

Again, you are learning and I understand that you may damage or lose something accidentally. This applies only if you destroy, steal, or damage lab equipment **on purpose**.

State law requires that parents pay for the cost of school district property damaged or stolen by students.

No student may use the equipment in the computer lab until he/she has returned this letter, signed by his/her parent or guardian, to the teacher.

Sign below to indicate you have read the above.

Parent or Guardian (SIGN) _____

Student (SIGN) _____

Date _____

California Education Code

Section 48904. (a) (1) Notwithstanding Section 1714.1 of the Civil Code, the parent or guardian of any minor whose willful misconduct results in injury or death to any pupil or any person employed by, or performing volunteer services for, a school district or private school or **who willfully cuts, defaces, or otherwise injures in any way any property, real or personal, belonging to a school district or private school, or personal property of any school employee, shall be liable for all damages so caused by the minor.** The liability of the parent or guardian shall not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).