

My Laurel Springs Terms of Use Agreement

My Laurel Springs is a virtual community created to help Laurel Springs students in grades 7-12 build relationships and share ideas with their fellow Laurel Springs School classmates. Laurel Spring hosts discussions, school clubs, and other fun interactive activities to get students involved in their school community. This site is a private community for Laurel Springs School students, parents and teachers only. Laurel Springs invites you to participate in the forums, blogs, chats, and student clubs and in doing so we ask you to agree to respect and uphold the integrity of this community.

Participation in My Laurel Springs is optional. In order to be a member of My Laurel Springs, you and your student must agree to the Terms of Use as described in this Agreement. Should you permit your student to participate in My Laurel Springs, we ask you to sign these Terms of Use.

Throughout this agreement, “you” and “your” refer to both the Laurel Springs School student and their parent or legal guardian. Laurel Springs reserves the right to modify or terminate the services provided under this Agreement at any time without notice.

Membership

You are permitted only one registration and membership name. The registration will be the student’s first name and last name. Parents will be provided the student’s password in order to gain access and monitor their student’s activities on My Laurel Springs. To protect the quality and integrity of My Laurel Springs, you hereby consent to our employees and representatives being able to access your account and records for any reason and in our sole discretion to edit, modify or remove any content of materials you post through My Laurel Springs.

You are entirely responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your password and account and for all activities which occur through your account.

Community Standards and Conduct

You acknowledge that all materials, whether publicly posted or privately transmitted, are the sole responsibility of the person from which such materials originated. This means that you are entirely responsible for all materials that you post, email or otherwise transmit on My Laurel Springs.

Laurel Springs does not review all of the materials posted on My Laurel Springs and, as such, do not guarantee the accuracy, integrity or quality of such materials.

You understand that by using My Laurel Springs, you may be exposed to materials that in your opinion are offensive, indecent or objectionable.

Member Posted Content Rules

My Laurel Springs moderators may delete or modify any content that in the sole judgment of Laurel Springs violates this Agreement or which may be offensive, illegal, threatening or harmful. Improper posting may result in immediate suspension of the member from the community. We ask our members to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Do not post in a disrespectful, defamatory, adversarial, baiting, harassing, offensive, insulting or otherwise improper manner towards fellow students or individuals.

- Do not post material in a manner that casts suspicion upon a person, invades their privacy, humiliates, demeans, criticizes or personally attacks anyone.
- Do not post profane or sexually explicit material.
- Do not post copyrighted material without written permission.
- Do not post to advertise products, services or to solicit funds.
- Do not impersonate anyone.
- Do not post to debate or challenge the My Laurel Springs User Agreement, moderators, administrators, or their actions. Constructive criticism and questions for purposes of clarification are best directed to the moderator or administrator by contacting them through their profile.
- Follow the rules and guidelines specific to individual forums and groups. Posts are an integral part of the discussion threads of My Laurel Springs and you may not delete your posts. Though you are free to edit your posts, we do not allow members to delete large numbers of their posts.

Laurel Springs reserves the right to change this User Agreement as necessary to meet any future needs that may arise. Within these guidelines, we encourage friendly debate, study buddies, socializing, and good humor.

Violations of Community Guidelines and Rules

Any user who feels that a posted message is objectionable is encouraged to report it by clicking on the “More” button next to the offensive post. Then choose “Report Abuse.” Laurel Springs will make every effort to remove objectionable messages within a reasonable time frame, if we determine removal is necessary. If you feel another member is behaving in a manner that is in violation of these rules, do not take matters into your own hands. We ask that you permit us try to resolve the situation. Simply alert the moderator by using the “Report Abuse” link in the post.

Upon finding a post in violation of the Discussion Guidelines and Rules a moderator may lock the content as a preventative measure, remove it from the public community or take other action as deemed necessary in the sole discretion of Laurel Springs. Inappropriate postings or behavior arising from use of the community may result in result in parental contact as well as the suspension of privileges to use the community. Copies of the inappropriate content may also be sent to your parents.

Based on the severity of the violation or the number of previous violations by a member, the moderator may issue a warning or ban the member at any time.

Laurel Springs reserves the right to delete any message or to remove the registration and membership of any individual at any time.

Privacy

Prior to and during the use of My Laurel Springs, students may be required to submit personally identifiable information to Laurel Springs for registration and other administrative purposes. Such information may include name and email address. Use and disclosure of personally identifiable information submitted by students to Laurel Springs in connection with using My Laurel Springs is subject to the Privacy Policy posted on the My Laurel Springs website. If a Privacy Policy is not posted on My Laurel Springs, the personally identifiable information may be used and disclosed by Laurel Springs in its sole discretion for any lawful purposes.

Students may, at their discretion, also submit personally identifiable information to other students through My Laurel Springs or post personal information on or through one or more My Laurel Springs services, such as a blog. Laurel Springs is not responsible for any use or misuse of information shared by one student with another using My Laurel Springs or posted by a student for other students to view.

Laurel Springs encourages parents and legal guardians to discuss with their children guidelines which parents and legal guardians believe are appropriate for their children to follow concerning the posting and sharing of personal information on or through My Laurel Springs.

Disclaimer

Considering the real time nature of the forums and chats, it is impossible for Laurel Springs to review all messages or confirm the validity of information posted.

Laurel Springs does not actively monitor the content of all posted messages and is not responsible for any messages posted. Laurel Springs does have some filters in place to notify and freeze posts or content that appears inappropriate, but the filters are not exhaustive and are not able to catch all inappropriate content.

Videos and images are to be submitted to moderators for approval before they are released onto My Laurel Springs. Posts express the views of the author and are not necessarily the views of Laurel Springs School. Members remain solely responsible for the content of your messages and behavior and you agree to indemnify and hold harmless Laurel Springs School, Inc. and its agents with respect to any claim based upon your messages and behavior. We ask our content contributors to be cautious in posting information of a personal nature or anything that might create legal concerns for you or others.

Laurel Springs does not provide monitoring of the site by any mental health professional and therefore is unable to determine if any student posting suggest physical or mental abuse, the use of illegal substances, illegal activity, the possibility of suicide or if a student poses a threat to others. Laurel Springs monitors are not mental health professionals and therefore may mistakenly identify and report such matters to Child Protective Services, law enforcement, parents or other authorities. By agreeing to use this site you accept the risk of such a mistake and its possible consequences and release and hold Laurel Springs School, Inc. and its agents, employees, etc. harmless of any liability arising from such a mistaken identification.

Indemnification

You agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Laurel Springs School, Inc. and its affiliates and subsidiary companies, officers, directors, employees, consultants and agents from any and all third party claims, liability, damages and/or costs (including, but not limited to, attorneys fees) arising from your use of the My Laurel Springs site and/or services, your violation of this agreement or your infringement, or infringement by any other user of your account, of any intellectual property or other right of any person or entity. You agree to notify us immediately of any unauthorized use of your account or any other breach of security known to you.

Miscellaneous

Arbitration-The Parties agree that any dispute arising from this Agreement shall be determined by binding arbitration in the county of Ventura in the state of California through the American Arbitration Association in accordance with their rules and utilizing California state law regardless of the choice of law provisions of any jurisdiction. All American Arbitration Association fees are to be equally divided between the Parties and each to incur their own attorney fees and costs.

Severability-If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, void, or illegal by a court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction, the same shall be deemed severable from the remainder of this Agreement and shall in no way affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions herein. If any provision shall be deemed invalid due to its scope or breadth, such provision shall be deemed valid to the extent of the scope or breadth permitted by law. Participation in My Laurel Springs is optional. Should you allow your student to participate in My Laurel Springs, you and the Student must abide by these Terms of Use.

By signing the My Laurel Springs Terms of Use Agreement, I represent and warrant that I am the authorized parent or legal guardian of the Laurel Springs School student and I hereby authorize the student to be provided access to My Laurel Springs. I have read this entire Agreement and have explained its entire contents to the student in age appropriate language. I understand and agree that both the student and I are bound by the terms of this Agreement. I further understand and agree that access to My Laurel Spring is contingent upon the student and I adhering to the terms of this Agreement and that failure to do so may result in no longer having access to the site.

Parent Acknowledgement

Laurel Springs School must receive this My Laurel Springs Terms of Use Agreement signed by the parent or guardian in order to grant access to My Laurel Springs by mail, P.O. Box 1440 Ojai, CA 93024-1440 or by fax (805) 646-0186.

“I have read, understand and agree to abide by all of the above.”

Parent’s signature: _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____

Student name: _____ Grade: _____

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*These Terms of Use are subject to change at any time. The most current version is always available by clicking on the "Terms of Use" link located at the bottom of our websites. Any changes to these terms of use will become effective as soon as it is posted to the website.