### **Wallenpaupack Area School District**

Wallenpaupack Area Middle School

Course Title: Computers 6 Length of Course: 22.5 days

### **District Policies:** Academic Integrity:

Academic integrity is essential to the success of an educational community. Students are responsible for learning and upholding professional standards of research, writing, assessment, and ethics in their areas of study. Written or other work which students submit must be the product of their own efforts and must be consistent with appropriate standards of professional ethics. Academic dishonesty, which includes cheating, plagiarism, multiple submissions and other forms of dishonest or unethical behavior, is prohibited.

#### Assessment:

The goal of grading is to report student progress and achievement to the parents to strengthen the home-school connection. The grade should accurately reflect the student's performance in mastering the PA Standards and the WASD curriculum.

#### Attendance:

Regular school attendance is vitally important to academic success. Not only does attendance reinforce and enrich the learning process; it also establishes patterns and attitudes that will carry forward into adult work habits. Regular, consistent attendance is a prerequisite to successful school life. Children should be absent only in cases of illness or emergency.

#### Special Education:

Our commitment to each student is to ensure a free appropriate public education which begins with the general education setting, with the use of Supplementary Aids and Services. Inclusive education describes the successful education of all students with the appropriate supports and services to participate in and benefit from the general classroom settings and other educational environments.

**Course Description:** The internet can be a place of enjoyment and productivity, or a dangerous place. The course curriculum provides students with methods of protecting themselves in the online world. Throughout the course students will also be introduced to desktop publishing. The students will improve proper keyboarding skills and typing fluency.

**Pennsylvania State Standards:** All WAMS courses are aligned to the PA State Standards and Common Core Standards, where applicable.

#### **Course Objectives:**

### Student will demonstrate the ability to:

- 1. Use MicroSoft Publisher to create a brochure.
- 2. Understand the importance of protecting personal information.
- 3. Recognizing an online predator and how to react appropriately to that situation.
- 4. Understand cyber bullying, cyber harassment, and cyber stalking.
- 5. Understand safe social networking.
- 6. Demonstrate correct typing posture and technique with a correct typing speed target of 10 words per minute.

#### **Student Responsibilities:**

Attendance expectations: Attendance is essential to reaching your full potential in understanding computer concepts.

Homework expectations: Assigned homework is expected to be completed to reinforce skills and concepts taught.

**Make-up work:** Students will be given one day for each excused day from class to complete make-up work. All graded assignments are posted on PowerSchool. Students are required to ask the teacher for missed work/material. **Late work:** Teacher's discretion.

# Assessment:

# **Grading components:**

- Projects 20%
- Exam 72%
- Typing 8%

**Content Pacing Guide:** The following pacing guide is a general guideline and the instructional content/timeframe may vary.

Topic	Major Assignments	Estimated Timeframe (Classes)
Keyboarding	Skill building activities are integrated throughout the course	On-going
Internet Safety	Internet Safety Brochure	2 blocks
Internet Safety	Exam – Appropriate online behavior, cyber bullying	7 blocks
Internet Safety	Exam – Social Networking & Chat Rooms	10 blocks
Internet Safety	Exam – Cyber Community Citizenship/Security/Predator ID	3 blocks