

Technology Use Policy

Access to the Internet must be related to the user's work responsibilities, for the purpose of education or research, and be consistent with the education and religious objectives of the school.

The use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use, whether in school or outside of school, will result in a cancellation of those privileges, disciplinary action (up to and including suspension or expulsion) and/or appropriate legal action. Whether the use is considered inappropriate or violates this policy is a matter within the discretion of the administration, and his or her decision is final.

Use of technology, for education or social reasons, must be consistent with the educational and religious objectives of the school.

Some examples of unacceptable uses of the Internet or technology are:

- Using technology for an illegal activity, including violation of copyright or other contracts, or transmitting any material in violation of any U.S. or state law;
- Unauthorized downloading of software, regardless of whether it is copyrighted;
- Invading the privacy of individuals;
- Using another user's password or account;
- Using pseudonyms or anonymous sign-ons;
- Accessing, submitting, posting, publishing, or displaying any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, or sexually-oriented, threatening, racially offensive, harassing, or illegal material or other information and/or materials that are inconsistent with the objectives and/or teachings of the school;
- Engaging in abuse of technology. This includes communications, in or outside of school, by personal computers, social networking sites (including, but not limited to, Facebook, Twitter, and My Space) or Electronic Communication Devices (ECD's) such as cellular telephones, notebooks, ipads, and other similar devices which threaten other students or school personnel, violate school rules, or disrupt the education process promoted by the school. Abusive communication includes, for example, posting or dissemination of written materials, graphics, photographs or other representation which communicates, depicts, promotes, or encourages:
 - Use of illegal or controlled substances, including alcoholic beverages;
 - Violence or threats of violence, intimidation, or injury to the property or person of another;
 - Use of degrading language to describe or refer to another student faculty member, or school official; or
 - Lewd, offensive, sexually suggestive or other inappropriate behavior on web pages, web sites, blogs, bulletin board systems, in email communications or attachments, in discussion groups, user groups, chat rooms, or any other function of the Internet or world wide web electronic media.
- Your school account and password are confidential and must remain so. Do not use another individual's account and confidential password.
- Use of a photograph, image or likeness of one's self or any other employee, student, or parent on any Internet or web-based site, or in any electronic communication, is prohibited, except with the express permission of the administration;
- Using school equipment to create a web site or to transmit the likeness, image, photograph or video of any employee, students, parent or parishioner, is prohibited, except with the express permission of the administration.
- Employees are not permitted to allow a non-employee to use a school computer or other equipment unless the non-employee is an authorized volunteer
- The school reserves the right to monitor employee and student use of school computers, including an employee's Internet use and email use and content. Thus, employees and students have no expectation of privacy in their use of school computers, the Internet, or email

STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TECHNOLOGY USE POLICY

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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I have received, understand, and will abide by the Technology Use Policy.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

The following must also be signed by a Parent/Guardian if the student is under the age of 19.

I have read the Technology Use Policy and this Authorization for Internet access and understand agree to the terms of that Policy. I understand that access to the Internet is designed for educational purposes and that the school prohibits the access of inappropriate materials, but that it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all controversial and inappropriate materials. I will hold harmless the School, its employees, and/or agents from any harm caused by materials or software obtained by my child via the Internet. I also agree, on my child's behalf, to the terms of the Technology Use Policy; I affirm my child's obligations pursuant to that policy and this Authorization and accept all responsibilities and/or liabilities arising from my child's compliance or non-compliance with that policy and/or Internet use. I have discussed the terms of this Authorization with my child. I hereby request that my child be allowed access to the Internet while at school.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____