



Copyrights and licenses

Users must respect copyrights and licenses to software, entertainment materials, published and unpublished documents, and any other legally protected digital information.

Integrity of information resources

Users must not attempt to modify or remove or damage computer equipment, software, or peripherals owned by others without authorisation; or intentionally develop or use programs that disrupt other computer or network users.

Unauthorised access

Users must not seek unauthorised access to information resources or enable others to do so.

Usage

Use of facility for access to gaming or any electronic communication (email, instant messaging, etc.) or USB to send fraudulent, harassing, obscene, threatening, or other messages that are a violation of applicable federal, state or other law or school policy is prohibited.

Student Internet Policy

The internet in school is solely used for educational purposes. If a student misuses the internet at school or encourages another student to misuse the internet at school, the school has the right and responsibility to take immediate action against the misuser and may suspend student's access privileges.

General

- Internet sessions will always be supervised by a teacher.
- Filtering software and/or equivalent systems will be used in order to minimise the risk of exposure to inappropriate material.
- The school will regularly monitor students' internet usage.
- Students and teachers will be provided with training in the area of Internet safety.
- Uploading and downloading of non-approved software will not be permitted.
- Virus protection software will be used and updated on a regular basis.
- The use of personal USB or CD-ROMs, or other digital storage media in school requires a teacher's permission.

World Wide Web

- Students will not intentionally visit internet sites that contain obscene, illegal, hateful or otherwise objectionable materials.
- Students will report accidental accessing of inappropriate materials in accordance with school procedures.
- Students will use the Internet for educational purposes only.
- Students will not copy information into assignments and fail to acknowledge the source (plagiarism and copyright infringement).
- Students will never disclose or publicise personal information.
- Downloading by students of materials or images not relevant to their studies is in direct breach of the school's acceptable use policy.
- Students will be aware that any usage, including distributing or receiving information, school-related or personal, may be monitored for unusual activity, security and/or network management reasons.

Email

- Students will use approved class email accounts under supervision by or permission from a teacher.
- Students will not send or receive any material that is illegal, obscene, defamatory or that is intended to annoy or intimidate another person.
- Students will not reveal their own or other people's personal details such as addresses or telephone numbers or pictures.
- Students will never arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone they only know through emails or the internet.
- Students will note that sending and receiving email attachments is subject to permission from their teacher.

Internet chat

- Students will only have access to chat rooms, discussion forums, messaging or other electronic communication fora that have been approved by the school.
- Chat rooms, discussion forums and other electronic communication forums will only be used for educational purposes and will always be supervised.
- Usernames will be used to avoid disclosure of identity.
- Face-to-face meetings with someone organised via internet chat will be forbidden.

Personal devices

Students using their own technology in school, such as leaving a mobile phone turned on or using it in class, sending nuisance text messages, or the unauthorised taking of images with a mobile phone camera (still or moving) is in direct breach of the school's acceptable use policy.

Internet safety rules

- Keeping all the personal information confidential and never disclosing your contact details.
- Make sure only those web links are accessed which have been directed/instructed by the teacher.
- Always appraise your teacher or an adult if something untoward happens while using the internet.
- Discuss with elders and parents what web links you are accessing and check whether they are safe to use.
- Do not believe in everything that is published online.