



COMPUTER/INTERNET USAGE POLICY

In order to be allowed access to the Internet through the school's computers, students agree to abide by the following CHS Internet rules:

1. All use of the Internet must be in support of education and research, and consistent with the mission and policies of Cathedral High School.
2. Users will not give anyone any passwords. They will not give out any personal information (real name, address, phone number, school name, parents' information, etc.).
3. The student must abide by the rules of any network being used/accessed.
4. Any use of the Internet through school or student-owned computers for commercial (profit) use, political lobbying, tampering of any outside network or database, playing games, participation in chat groups or for any illegal activity is prohibited.
5. Malicious use of the Internet to harass other users, introduce viruses, infiltrate protected computer systems, use other people's accounts or passwords, or other anti-social behavior is prohibited.
6. Users shall not intentionally obtain illegal copies of copyrighted software, music or other materials.
7. Users shall not intentionally make any changes to school computer configurations without proper authorization.
8. Use of the Internet to access or transmit obscene, pornographic, violent/ or otherwise objectionable material is prohibited. If a student mistakenly accesses inappropriate information, immediately telling a faculty member will protect the student from losing Internet privilege.
9. Students will be provided with and required to use a Cathedral email address. This email address is not considered private and will be monitored by school staff to ensure appropriate use. Email communications involving illegal activities may be reported to the appropriate authority.
10. Users will not download files to school-owned computers, such as Library, EA Lab or Computer Science Lab. All student files should be downloaded to student-owned device or their Cathedral provided cloud.
11. Students will have access to a printer in the library at their own cost.
12. A student and/or his parents will pay for any costs, liability or damages caused by a student.
13. Students will immediately notify a faculty member if they see a possible problem.
14. Plagiarism through Internet use may result in suspension for one day and a zero on the course work. Dual Credit students may be dropped from Dual Credit status to regular status if your class schedule allows.
15. Students shall not intentionally access proxy websites for inappropriate and/or unauthorized websites.



Parents/Students agree by signing the Handbook Statement of Understanding, if they violate any points of the internet policy or otherwise abuse their Internet privileges this will result in their exclusion from any further use of the school computers and subjected to other school disciplinary action including but not limited to:

- A. Privileges removed
- B. Dropped from Honors, AP, or dual credit course.
- C. They understand that they may also incur federal or state legal action.

PARENTS INTERNET PERMISSION

School Internet use will allow students the opportunity to access and share information and communicate through the school computers or student-owned computers with countless computer networks and databases throughout the world. Students will be able to access documents and literature from thousands of educational and government agencies.

With this educational opportunity also comes responsibility. Parents should understand the terms of the student policy. It is extremely important that these rules are followed. Inappropriate use of the school's computers or Internet material may result in the loss of the privilege to use this educational tool, in addition to disciplinary and legal measures. Parents should be aware that in addition to a great wealth of useful information and outright wonders on the Internet, there also exists some unacceptable material. The school and student-owned (while on the Cathedral network) computers may not filter out all of these items. All classes may use the Internet for research at any time with the supervision of their teachers.

By signing the Handbook Statement of Understanding, parents give their son/sons permission to access the Internet through the school's and student-owned computers. Parents will not hold Cathedral High School or any of its personnel responsible for their sons accessing any objectionable material or causing any type of damage. Parents may withdraw their approval at any time in writing to a school administrator or the librarian.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____