
Internet Acceptable Use Policy for Grades K-12

Seven Rivers Christian School offers Internet access for student use. This document contains the Acceptable Use Policy for Internet use. Internet access is allowed only after a parent and the student read, sign, and return the form to the SRCS Media Center. These regulations are applicable to e-mail, browsing, web design, and audio/video conferencing.

Educational Purpose

The Internet account has been established for limited educational purpose. The term "educational purpose" includes class activities/demos, career exploration, and limited high quality self-discovery activities.

You may not use the Internet for commercial purposes. This means you may not offer, provide, or purchase products or services through the Internet.

Student Internet Access

All students will have access to the Internet through computers located in the Media Center, Tech-Lab, and in various classrooms. All users will use the same Internet account.

UNACCEPTABLE USE:

Personal Safety

You will not post any personal contact information about yourself or other people. Personal contact information includes your home or school address, telephone, etc.

You will not agree to meet with someone you have met on-line.

You will immediately disclose to your teacher or the media staff any message you receive that is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.

Illegal Activities

You will not use the Internet to engage in any illegal act.

Inappropriate Language

You will not use inappropriate language in public messages, private messages, or material posted to Web pages.

You will not use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory, threatening, or disrespectful language anywhere on the Internet

You will not engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.

You will not harass another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner that distresses or annoys another person. If you are told by a person to stop sending them messages, you must stop.

Respect for Privacy

You will not re-post a message that was sent to you privately without permission of the person who sent you the message.

You will not post or email private information about another person.

Resource Limits

All use of Internet will be tracked. The System Supervisor or teacher will decide how much time is allowed per student in order to allow equal access to all students.

You will not download files.

Students may send e-mail only for approved school projects.

You will subscribe only to high quality discussion group mail lists that are relevant to your educational research or career exploration or field.

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Plagiarism, Copyright Infringement, and Misrepresentation

You will not plagiarize works that you find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as your own.

You will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when you reproduce a work that is protected by copyright. If a work contains language that specifies appropriate use of that work, you should follow the expressed requirements. If you are unsure whether or not you can use a work, you should request permission from the copyright owner. If you have any questions, ask the media center staff, lab supervisor, or your teacher.

You will properly cite all resources used.

You will not put someone else's name on a message that you send or misrepresent yourself or the school in any way.

Inappropriate Access to Material

You will not access material that is profane or obscene, that advocates illegal acts, or that advocates violence or discrimination towards other people unless approved for a school project.

If you mistakenly access inappropriate information, you should immediately tell the lab supervisor. This will protect you against a claim that you have intentionally violated this policy.

Your parents should instruct you if there is additional material that they think is inappropriate for you to access. The school fully expects that you will follow your parents' instructions.

Access to the Internet

Access to the Internet is a privilege and not a right. Any breach of the Acceptable Use Policy can result in the immediate and permanent termination of your access to the Internet.

Search and Seizure

You have only limited privacy in the contents of your personal files on any Computer, similar to the rights you have in the privacy of your locker.

Routine maintenance and monitoring of the computers may lead to the discovery that you have violated this policy or the law.

An individual search will be conducted if there is reasonable suspicion that you have violated this policy, the SRCS Student Commitment, or the law.

Your parents have the right at any time to request to see the contents of your files.

Seven Rivers Christian School will fully cooperate with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted through our Internet account.

Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

Limitation of Liability

SRCS makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by or through the school will be error-free or without defect. The school will not be responsible for any damage you may suffer, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions for service. The school is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the computer. The school will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the Internet.

I understand and agree to adhere to Acceptable Use Policy of Seven Rivers Christian School.

I understand that this is a legally binding agreement.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date