

St. Stephen's Episcopal School

INTERNET USE AGREEMENT



Use of the Internet provides many educational benefits to students. Unfortunately, some material accessible via the Internet may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, or potentially offensive to some people and contrary to the religious beliefs and moral values of the Episcopal Church. Access to the Internet is given as a privilege to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. We require that students and parents or guardians read, accept and follow the rules for acceptable on-line behavior.

1. Students are responsible for good behavior on the Internet just as they are in a school building. General school rules for behavior and communication apply.
2. Network/workstation storage areas should be treated like school property. Administrators/teachers may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should expect that files will be subject to review by appropriate school officials without prior notice.
3. The following are not permitted:
 - ✓ Uploading, sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures.
 - ✓ Using obscene language.
 - ✓ Harassing, insulting, or attacking others.
 - ✓ Damaging computers, computer systems, or computer networks.
 - ✓ Violating copyright laws.
 - ✓ Trespassing in another's folders, work, files or e-mail.
 - ✓ Games are prohibited, unless authorized by teacher.
 - ✓ Employing the network for commercial purposes.
 - ✓ Revealing the personal address or phone number of yourself or any person without permission from the teacher.
 - ✓ Use of chat rooms or any social site or app., including but NOT limited to, YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Kik.
 - ✓ Downloading any material, unless authorized by teacher.
 - ✓ No outside E-mail use. i.e. – AOL mail, Hotmail, Gmail, etc.
 - ✓ No music sites. i.e. – MTV, Artist websites, itunes, etc.
 - ✓ Use of any apps that can be considered offensive, obscene or harassing.
4. Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.