

Computer Network and Acceptable Use Student Agreement

Lynwood Senior High School

Purpose

The Internet provides an opportunity to enhance students' learning experiences by providing access to vast amounts of information across the globe. Online communication links students to provide a collaborative learning environment and is intended to assist with learning outcomes. Today's students are exposed to online communication tools and the internet in their community. Students have the right to expect secure access to these services as part of their learning experiences at Lynwood Senior High School.

Use of the internet and online communication services provided by LSHS is intended for research and learning and communication between students and staff. Access to internet and online communication tools at the school will assist students to develop the information and communication skills necessary to use the internet effectively and appropriately. Responsible use of these services by students, with guidance from teaching staff, will provide a secure and safe learning environment.

Students using internet and online communication services have the responsibility to report inappropriate behaviour and material to staff. Students who use the internet and online communication services provided by Lynwood Senior High School must abide by the Department's conditions of acceptable usage.

Students should be aware of the acceptable usage policy each time they log on. Students and parents/caregivers, at point of enrolment, will be required to agree and sign off on Acceptable Usage Policy that directly relates to hardware, software, network and online services. Students should be aware that a breach of this policy may result in disciplinary action in line with the school's Student Engagement Policy.

Access and Security

Students will:

- Not disable settings for virus protection, spam and filtering that have been applied as a departmental standard.
- Ensure that communication through internet and online communications services is related to learning.
- Keep passwords confidential, change them when prompted, or if known by another user.
- Never allow others to use student personal accounts that are NOT theirs.
- Log off at the end of each session.
- Promptly tell their supervising teacher if they suspect they have received a computer virus or if they receive a message that is inappropriate or makes them feel uncomfortable.
- Not use unauthorised programs or intentionally download unauthorised software or music that is not associated with learning.



Never send or publish:

- Unacceptable or unlawful material or remarks, including offensive, abusive or discriminatory comments.
- Sexually explicit or sexually suggestive material or correspondence.
- False or defamatory information about a person or organisation.
- Never damage or disable computers, computer systems or networks of Lynwood Senior High School:

Be aware that all use of internet and online communications services can be monitored and traced to the accounts of specific users.

Misuse and breaches of Acceptable Usage

Students will be aware that:

- They are held responsible for their actions while using internet and online communications services.
- They are held responsible for any breaches caused by them allowing any other person to use their DoE account to access internet or communications services.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Requirements

Students will report:

- Any internet site accessed that is considered inappropriate.
- Any suspected technical security breach involving users from outside Lynwood Senior High School as a user, students are responsible for their own network accounts. While using the school's network, all activity by you will be recorded and monitored. If you do not follow the Acceptable Use Policy, a referral to the Student Wellbeing team for follow up will occur.

Please note that this Agreement is signed by all students as part of the enrolment process on entry to Lynwood Senior High School.