



Acceptable Computer Use and Internet Access Agreement

Student Name: _____

Year Level: _____

Computer facilities at Stretton State College are provided for educational usage. This policy outlines the acceptable usage guidelines for students using the school computer network and Internet at Stretton State College. Students and Parents/Guardians are required to sign a copy of the Acceptable Computer Use Agreement and Internet Access Agreement to gain access to computer facilities as part of the College program.

I understand that:

- Every student is given an account on the College's computer network that is not accessible to other students. The account is not to be shared, and the student is responsible for their account.
- When using information systems such as the Internet, it is impossible for the school to screen or filter out all material which is controversial, inappropriate or offensive. It is therefore each student's RESPONSIBILITY not to initiate access to such material, or to distribute such material by copying, storing or printing. Every effort will be made to monitor student usage of the Internet. If a student inadvertently accesses inappropriate material he/she must immediately report the incident to the supervising staff member.
- Students are charged \$5.00 through the school's Textbook and Resource Hire Scheme for printing costs. Printing is charged per page. Students requiring additional printing will need to purchase this from the cashier's office. Printing will stop once a \$0.00 balance is reached.

I hereby agree that while using the College's computer facilities, I will NOT:

- Use software to harass, insult or bully. (Including blogs, discussion boards and social networking sites)
- Use obscene language via email or any other electronic messaging medium. (Please report any inappropriate emails received immediately to your teacher or another member of staff)
- Use the Stretton State College computers or network to deliberately humiliate others by displaying compromising images or text without permission.
- Send or display offensive and anti-social material. This material includes sexually explicit images, material of a racial nature, general discriminatory material or explicitly violent material.
- Damage computers or laptops, computer network resources (printers, photocopiers) or the computer network in any way (by the creation, introduction or spreading of computer viruses, physically abusing hardware including keyboards and mice, altering source codes or software configurations or any other unauthorised alterations to the school network).
- Possess or create software that is capable of accessing protected sections of any network, to damage the network, or to obtain other users passwords. This includes using any means to circumvent Education Queensland's Internet content filtering system.
- Share a mobile data network connection (e.g. 3G/4G) with myself or others on school premises and will ensure that this features is disabled prior to coming to school.
- Violate copyright laws. The legal rights of software producers and network providers, and copyright and license agreements must be honoured (for example, downloading copyrighted games and music on to a school computer or laptop is unacceptable as is using college facilities to share and/or copy copyrighted games and music)
- Store files on any computer or the network that do not directly relate to work being conducted at school.
- Access other users' computer accounts or allow others to use my account login.
- Trespass in others' folders, work or files.
- Disrespect others' privacy and intellectual property.
- Use any means to avoid scrutiny by teachers of work in progress.
- Connect my privately owned ICT device (laptop, iPad, iPod or any other device) to the college network via a network cable or wireless access point without permission from the college to do so

Please Note: The College reserves the right to check any student's e-mail, accounts and files. The College does filter all e-mail and check files and folders regularly.

Breaching any of the guidelines in this agreement may result in students having their account immediately suspended and may result in disciplinary action taken by the schools' administration.



Student Agreement:

- I understand that the College's ICT network provides me with access to a range of essential learning tools, including the Internet. I understand that the Internet can connect me to useful information stored on computers from around the world.
- While I have access to the College's ICT network: I will only use it for educational purposes; I will not undertake or look for anything that is illegal, dangerous or offensive; and I will not reveal my password or allow anyone else to use my school account.
- Specifically in relation to e-mail and Internet usage, I will: clear any offensive pictures or information from my screen; and immediately and quietly inform my teacher. In the same instance I will not: reveal home addresses or phone numbers – mine or that of any other person; or use the college's ICT network (including the internet) to annoy or offend anyone else.
- I understand that if the College decides I have broken the rules for using its ICT network, appropriate action will be taken, which may include loss of access to the network (including the internet) for a period of time.
- I agree to abide by all of the regulations as set out in the College's Acceptable Computer Use and Internet Access Agreement.

(Student's name)

(Student's signature)

(Date)

Parent or Guardian Agreement:

- I understand that the College provides my son/daughter with access to the College's network (including the internet) for valuable learning experiences. In regards to internet access, I understand that this will give my child access to information on computers from around the world; that the school can not control what is on those computers; and that a small part of that information can be illegal, dangerous or offensive.
- I accept that, while teachers will always exercise their duty of care, protection against exposure to harmful information should depend finally upon responsible use by my son/daughter. Additionally, I will ensure that my child understands and adheres to the College's Responsible Behaviour Plan and Acceptable Computer Usage and Internet Access Agreement and will not engage in inappropriate use of the College's ICT network.
- I believe my son/daughter understands this responsibility, and I hereby give my permission for him/her to access and use the College's ICT network (including the internet) under the school rules. I understand that students breaking these rules will be subject to appropriate action by the school. This may include loss of access and usage of the school's ICT network for a period of time.

(Parent/Guardian's name)

(Parent/Guardian's signature)

(Date)