



MT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Internet Users Agreement and Guidelines

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Background

The School recognizes that electronic information research skills are now required by students. The School actively supports students having access to electronic information sources, together with the development of appropriate information skills. The Internet has significant education benefits for students. However, it is impossible for the School to control all access and use of information from the Internet. Hence parental permission is being sought before a student is permitted to use this facility at school.

Guidelines

- The School Internet facility exists to provide access to curriculum related material. Students should only be accessing information that is related to the school curriculum.
- Information on the Internet may be inaccurate or may misrepresent people or situations. Students should take care in their use of information to ensure its accuracy.
- Because of the vast amount of information available from on-line services, it is important that students use the School's facility as efficiently as possible.
- Electronic communication that emanates from the School needs to reflect the good name of the School. Students should be respectful and use appropriate written expression such as would be acceptable in a school written assignment.

Student Agreement

1. The use of the Internet by students is monitored by staff. **I shall not undertake Internet use or E-Mail without permission.**
2. In order to maintain student privacy the school has decided that home address and phone numbers should not be placed on the Internet. **I agree not to provide home addresses or phone numbers on the Internet.**
3. Publications dealing with illegal activities, pornography or violence are not permitted at school. **I shall not use the internet to access unacceptable material.**
4. All students should abide by Copyright Laws. **I shall not break Copyright Laws, and I shall correctly acknowledge another person's work in a bibliography or reference list.**

Disclaimers

The School will take care to ensure that students abide by these guidelines and agreement, but ultimately the responsibility will rest with the user.

The School will not be responsible for damages or liability resulting from a user divulging personal information.

Teachers have the right to access any information that students send or receive at school.

Although student activities are supervised, the School will not be held responsible if a student accesses objectionable or inappropriate material.

The School may invoke its own disciplinary action if a student violates these guidelines and agreement. This action may involve limiting or revoking a user's access.