Port Lincoln High School Digital Policy

NETWORK & INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT

The Network and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement provides the rules for student use of the school’s Information & Communication Technology systems. The use of computers at Port Lincoln High School is a privilege and not a right. Both the network and the internet have been provided to assist students with their learning.

The agreement must be read and the bottom section signed and returned before access to the network/internet is granted. Parent permission may be withdrawn at any stage.

Further clarification can be sought from a member of the Port Lincoln High School’s IT team, by phoning 8682-3677 or emailing <dl.0791_info@schools.sa.edu.au>.

THE AGREEMENT:

- Students are responsible for their own usernames and passwords. These must remain confidential at all times. Sharing or accessing other usernames/passwords is strictly prohibited.

- Students must treat the computing facilities with due care and respect, and report equipment damage and faults. Students are not permitted to tamper with computing equipment and system settings.

- Students are permitted to access files, websites and software that are directly related to their learning only; activities such as games, social networking, downloading music/movies etc. are not permitted.

- The Department of Education & Children’s Services and Port Lincoln High School reserve the right to place restrictions on websites containing pornography, material that advocates violence, illegal acts, discrimination or the use of illegal substances. Students are not permitted to access such sites.

- Students are permitted to use EdMail email only. This is a free web-based email service that has been provided by DECD. Students are not permitted to send messages that contain inappropriate or threatening language.

The agreement covers student use of the school’s network/internet and personal equipment on school grounds, such as laptop computers, storage devices (USB/CD/DVD etc.) and internet-enabled mobile phones. A violation of these rules constitutes a breach of the agreement. In accordance with the school’s Student Behaviour Management Policy, consequences may include access restrictions, parental contact and in extreme cases, suspension.
FURTHER INFORMATION:

- Students have the right to privacy in their work, but system administrators may access files as a part of routine maintenance. This includes laptop computers and USB drives that are connected to the network.
- Students must honour the rules of copyright and avoid plagiarising the work of others. Further, there are no guarantees of the accuracy of information found on the Internet.
- Students who wilfully damage computing equipment will be billed for appropriate replacement or repairs.
- Students are responsible for backing up their work; see the IT Team for assistance/strategies.
- Students should not give out any personal information (names, addresses, phone numbers, credit card details etc.) on the internet.

I AGREE:

To abide by the rules of the Port Lincoln High School, network & internet acceptable use agreement.