

Sacred Heart Catholic School
Internet Acceptable Use Policies
2009-2010
Parent Consent/Student Agreement Form

Sacred Heart School has chosen to permit students access to computer and telecommunication resources to further its educational goals. The Internet, one of the resources, is a global network that will provide your child with access to a wide range of information. Use of the Internet for educational projects will assist in preparing your child for success in life and work in the 21st century.

Your child's use of the Internet will be supervised by the staff. As a precaution and protection to our students, we have installed the SonicWall program to block inappropriate material. Although unlikely, we recognize the possibility that your child may find material on the Internet that is inappropriate and not in accord with Christian moral principles, your family values, or the intent of our school's educational program. We encourage you to use this opportunity to discuss with your child your family values and expectations of his/her use of the Internet. We believe the benefits derived from access to the Internet in the form of information and opportunities for collaboration outweigh the possible disadvantages. Ultimately, parents and guardians of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards their children should follow. Therefore, we support and respect each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for this privilege.

The following general rules are guidelines dictated by privacy, respect, and responsibility, and are not meant to be an all-inclusive listing. They are to be followed to prevent the loss of network privileges at Sacred Heart Catholic School.

1. The computer will not be used to harm other people or their work.
2. The computer or network is not to be damaged in any way.
3. The installing or downloading of illegal software, shareware, or freeware is prohibited.
4. Copyright laws and licensing agreements will not be violated.
5. Resources such as space on the hard drive or printing capacity will not be wasted.
6. Use of the Internet will be in accord with Christian moral principles, your family values, or the intent of our school's educational program. Offensive materials will not be viewed or displayed.
7. A teacher or supervisor will be notified immediately, if, by accident, materials are encountered which are inappropriate or make the student feel uncomfortable.

