

# BOWEN STATE HIGH SCHOOL



## STUDENT NETWORK / INTERNET ACCESS AGREEMENT

STUDENT'S NAME: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Middle) \_\_\_\_\_ (Surname) \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Policy information on the reverse of this form. I understand that the Internet can connect me to much useful information stored on computers around the world.

While I have access to the Internet:

- I will use it only for educational purposes.
- I will not look for anything that is illegal, dangerous or offensive.
- If I accidentally come across something that is illegal, dangerous or offensive, I will
  - clear any offensive pictures or information from my screen.
  - immediately inform my supervising teacher.
- I will not reveal home addresses, phone numbers, passwords - mine or anyone else's.
- I will not use the Internet to annoy or offend anyone else.
- I will not use proxy sites to access blocked web pages.
- I will not use the internet to bully or harass people.
- I understand that if the school decides I have broken these rules, appropriate action will be taken. This may include loss of my Internet and/or email access for some time, detention, suspension or exclusion.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/CAREGIVER

I have read the Policy information on the reverse of this form. I understand that the Internet can provide students with valuable learning experiences. I also understand that the Internet gives access to information on computers around the world; that the school cannot control what is on those computers; and that a very 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 students.

I believe (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ understands this responsibility and I hereby give my permission for him/her to access the Internet and an email account 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 Internet and/or email access for some time.

Parent/Caregiver's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

#### OFFICE USE ONLY

Student EQ Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Form Class: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

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## INTERNET USAGE POLICY

1. The school's Internet connection exists to provide access to curriculum related information. Permission is required to search outside curricula needs.
2. Information published on the Internet may be inaccurate or may misrepresent a person or situation. Persons using the Internet must take care in using this information.
3. This school does not permit searches for material of a pornographic or extremely violent nature. Should a user inadvertently come across any such material they must immediately back out of that page, must not save any such data and must advise a teacher.
4. Copyright law must be respected at all times. This means that users may NOT copy or redistribute another person's work. Users wanting to use other people's work for educational purposes must acknowledge the source of the work and the owner. (*Refer to library publication on Bibliographies.*)
5. Section 85ZE of the Commonwealth Crimes Act states that a person shall not knowingly or recklessly;
  - *Use a telecommunication service supplied by a carrier to menace or harass another person.*
  - *Use a telecommunication service supplied by a carrier in such a way as would be regarded by reasonable persons as being, in all circumstances, offensive.*
6. Students are restricted to using World Wide Web or Managed Internet Service Mail for school purposes only (this includes email accounts), i.e. not for personal use. No other email service should be accessed at school other than MIS Web mail.
7. Students will not publish any pictures or images or information on the World Wide Web, email or electronic document of/about other students or staff at Bowen High School.
8. Students are forbidden to participate in any form of online blogging, online chats, or online forums without direct supervision by teachers.
9. One person at a time may occupy a computer, unless specifically told otherwise by a supervising teacher.
10. Use of removable media such as USB drives is permitted; however only school work and other media related to education and specific subjects can be on the removable devices. Personal games, music and pictures are not permitted to be on removable media nor are they allowed to be installed/moved to school computers or network home drives.
11. Printouts of information retrieved for curriculum purposes are allowed free of charge on the expectation that all users will carefully monitor their printouts to avoid long articles or unnecessary information.
12. Always leave the computers as you found them. Do not turn computers off unless instructed to do so by a supervising teacher.
13. Report any problems immediately to a supervising teacher.
14. All students are to be given equal opportunity in accessing the Internet.