



COMPUTER USER AGREEMENT

Every student and parent must sign the Computer User Agreement before the first day of school and submit to the Administration Office.

For Grades 6-12:

REASONS FOR THIS POLICY: Crossroads Christian School ("CCS") is providing computer network and Internet access for its students and employees. This service allows employees and students to share information, learn new concepts, and research diverse subjects.

CCS has adopted this Acceptable Use Policy ("Policy") to set guidelines for accessing the computer network or the Internet service provided by CCS. Every year, students who want computer network and Internet access for that upcoming school year need to sign and submit a copy of the Policy to CCS. Students also must have their parents or guardians sign this Policy. By signing this agreement, the student and parent or guardian agree to follow the rules set forth in this Policy and to report any misuse of the computer network or the Internet to a teacher or supervisor. Parties agreeing to this policy also understand that CCS may revise the Acceptable Use Policy, as it deems necessary. CCS will provide notice of any changes either by posting such a revised version of the Policy on its website or by providing written notice to the students and parents or guardians.

INTERNET USES: Use of the electronic information resources in the school shall be to improve and support the educational process by providing access to global information and improving communication between students, employees of Crossroads Christian School, parents, and community members.

ACCEPTABLE USES: All Internet or computer equipment use shall be consistent with the purposes and goals of CCS. It is imperative that users of the Internet or computer equipment conduct themselves in a responsible, ethical, moral, and polite manner. All users must abide by all local, state, and federal laws. The Internet user accepts the responsibility of adhering to high standards of conduct and the terms and condition set forth in all parts of this policy.

IMPERMISSIBLE INTERNET & COMPUTER EQUIPMENT USES: The following uses of the Internet & computer equipment are prohibited:

1. Any violation of applicable school policy or public law by such use;
2. Any activity that is immoral or contrary to the high moral standards which must be maintained in an educational setting;
3. Any attempt to bypass school security is forbidden;
4. Accessing or transmitting of immoral, obscene, pornographic, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, defaming, harassing, threatening, disrespectful, or otherwise inappropriate images or information, or receiving such information from others;
5. Any commercial use, product advertisement, display of personal information, or promotion of political candidates;
6. Any violation of copyright, trade secret, or trademark laws;
7. Any attempt to damage, disrupt, or interfere with the use of any computer or electronic information resource;
8. Any attempt to access information beyond the users authorized access to any electronic information resource;
9. Any destruction, defacement, theft, or altering of school equipment;
10. Any storing of illegal, inappropriate, or obscene material on school owned electronic equipment.

PRIVILEGE: The use of the Internet and computer equipment within CCS is a privilege. It is confidential information to the user unless it is transmitted to others with the user's permission. Violation of this policy can result in the loss of computer access privileges or further disciplinary action.

MONITORING: CCS reserves the right to monitor and review any material on any machine at any time in order for the school to determine any inappropriate use of computer resources.

DISCLAIMER OF ALL WARRANTIES: CCS makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the services provided in connection with use of the Internet or computer equipment. Neither CCS nor any supporting Internet services will be responsible for any damages that an Internet user suffers. CCS expressly disclaims any liability in connection with the loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, failure to deliver, mistaken deliveries, viruses, backup device failure, service interruptions, or other unforeseen reasons caused by CCS or the Internet server or by the users error or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the user's own risk. CCS expressly denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through any Internet service. All users must consider the source of any information they obtain and evaluate the validity of that information.

SECURITY: CCS will implement security procedures on Internet access to protect against unacceptable use. Computer users are responsible for the security of their files and passwords. Sharing of any usernames or passwords to anyone is not permissible and may result in the loss of account privileges. Computer users will be held accountable for any activity under their account. Any security problems should be reported immediately to the school/site administrator.

ENCOUNTER OF CONTROVERSIAL MATERIAL: Internet users may encounter material that is controversial which the user or administrator may consider inappropriate or offensive. The school has taken precautions to restrict access to inappropriate materials through a filtering and monitoring system. However, it is impossible on a global Internet to control access to all data that a user may discover. It is the user's responsibility not to initiate access to such material. Any site or material that is deemed controversial should be reported immediately to the appropriate administrator. CCS expressly disclaims any obligation to discover all violations of inappropriate Internet access.

TERMS OF USE:

1. Only registered students of CCS qualify for computer use under this policy.
2. Only the authorized users who have signed the user agreement shall have computer access. Users are ultimately responsible for all activity while using the Internet.
3. The headmaster may suspend or terminate any computer user's access for any reason.
4. All Internet or computer equipment access of a student is automatically terminated at the moment of withdrawal, graduation, or expulsion of the student from CCS.

PENALTIES FOR IMPROPER USE: Any user violating this policy or applicable state and federal laws may be restricted from Internet use or use of any or all computers (in addition to other disciplinary options). Such additional options may include suspension, expulsion, and/or referral to legal authorities.

STUDENT: I understand and will abide by the Crossroads Christian School Student Computer Acceptable Use Policy. I agree that I will keep my unique login and password information private and not allow others to have access using my account. **Should I commit any violation, I realize that my access privileges may be revoked and other disciplinary action may be taken** (which could include appropriate legal action).

Student Signature **Date**

PARENT/GUARDIAN: As the parent or guardian of the above-signed student, I have read the Computer User Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that this access is designed for education purposes. I understand that every attempt will be made to filter objectionable material; however, no filter system is perfect.

I hereby give permission for my child to have access to the Internet at CCS.

I **DO NOT** give permission for my child to have access to the Internet.

Parent/Guardian Signature **Date**