

CVCS Acceptable Computer Use Policy

Introduction

Cedar Valley Christian School provides computer resources to enhance the educational experiences of its students. Students are expected to exercise their privilege to use these resources in a manner consistent with the Mission of the school, existing school policies and the policies of our Internet service providers, as well as all Federal, State and Local laws. Any activity that is unethical, illegal, disruptive, offensive or mischievous is inappropriate. The student is ultimately responsible for his conduct on the system, and will be held accountable for his actions while using any facet of the computer system.

Equipment and Facilities

The computers, local hard drives, network drives, user accounts, personal drive space and their contents are all property of CVCS. As such, this property may be checked by a school teacher or administrator without notice, in order to maintain compliance with this acceptable computer use policy. Privacy of information stored on school property should not be expected.

Prohibitions

Students are prohibited from doing the following on school computer equipment:

- Damaging, changing, or tampering with any part of the school's computer system
- Copying copyrighted material,
- Adding, deleting, or altering files or installing programs
- Engaging in non-academic uses of the computer system, such as game playing and chatting,
- Accessing or storing illegal or explicit material or material that is potentially harmful to the user, the computer system or others,
- Using the Internet or e-mail to solicit or conspire about illegal activities,
- Making harassing, threatening, prejudicial or discriminatory statements,
- Accessing, storing, transmitting or distributing offensive, indecent, obscene or pornographic materials in any form,
- Storing, transmitting or distributing protected material without the written consent of the holder of the protection rights,
- Circumventing or attempting to circumvent the security measures on any school computer,
- Introducing any form of computer virus to any school computer,
- Using the computer system or the Internet for commercial gain, political purpose, or to advocate violence or discrimination.

Procedures For Alleged Violations

Students or faculty members who have discovered a possible violation of the Acceptable Computer Use Policy should report it promptly to the principal.

Limitation of School Liability

CVCS is not responsible for a student's exposure to inappropriate or unacceptable material, and cannot guarantee the accuracy or quality of any information found on the Internet. The school is not responsible for damages which may occur as a result of interruption of service or loss of data, or financial obligations which result from unauthorized or improper use of the network or the Internet.