

Student Internet Agreement

I understand that PACE Preparatory Academy is a computer based learning facility. The computer programs installed are designed for educational purposes. Access to the Internet is not allowed, and the school has made every attempt to install software and firewalls to deny such access.

We require that students and parents or guardians read, accept and sign the following rules for acceptable computer use behavior.

1. Students (if over 18) or Parents/Guardians are financially responsible for the repair/replacement/service of the computers or any of their components should the student cause any damage or defacement to the equipment.
2. Files are stored on a network. Network storage areas should be looked at as school lockers. Administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files will always be private.
3. Students are responsible for appropriate behavior on the computer just as they are in school. General school rules for behavior and communications apply.
4. The following are **NOT** permitted:
 - Sending or displaying messages or photos/pictures
 - Using obscene language
 - Harassing, insulting, or attacking others
 - Violation of copyright laws
 - Using another's password
 - Trespassing in another's folders, work or files
 - Intentionally wasting limited resources, including through the use of "chain letters" and messages broadcasting to mailing lists or individuals
 - Employing the network for commercial purposes
 - Revealing the personal address or phone number of yourself or any other person without permission
 - No use of file sharing software
 - No use of Instant Messaging services
 - No use of free e-mail services
 - No use of Internet game sites
5. Violations may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.
6. I understand that the student enrolling may be allowed access to the Internet from time to time for research, for projects, papers, etc. This is not a right, and the school may revoke my access or privilege for any reason. I understand and will abide by the provisions and conditions of this contract. I understand that any violations of the previous provisions may result in expulsion, the revoking of my user account, and appropriate legal action. I also agree to report any misuse of the information system to the Lead Teacher.

If the student is not a minor (over the age of 18) he/she is signing for themselves as the student responsible as an adult. As the parent or legal guardian of the minor student above, I understand the above contract and understand that it is designed for educational purposes. I will not hold the school responsible for materials acquired on the network whether with permission of use or if the student accesses the Internet without permission. I also agree to report any misuse of the information system to the school administrator. Misuse can come in many forms, but can be viewed as any messages sent or received that indicate or suggest pornography and obscenity, unethical or illegal solicitation or activities, racism, sexism, inappropriate language and other issues described above.

I accept responsibility for providing guidance to the enrolling student on computer use and conveying standards for this student to follow.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PACE Preparatory Academy adheres to CIPA (Child Internet Protection Act) Guidelines.