



Sacred Heart Catholic School

2022-2023 Internet and Device Acceptable Use Policies

Parent Consent/Student Agreement Form

Sacred Heart School has chosen to permit students access to computer, Chromebook, 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/Chromebook will not be used to harm other people or their work.
2. The computer/Chromebook 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. Passwords are set by the school and should not be shared with anyone but the student's parents.
8. Accessing another person's Google account is prohibited.
9. Downloading files, Extensions, and apps should only be done under the direction of the teacher and should be done with caution.



10. Google email will be enabled for students to use for school purposes in order to communicate with their teachers. Email should be used in an appropriate manner and its misuse is subject to disciplinary action.
11. Inappropriate media may not be searched, downloaded, or saved.
12. Inappropriate media includes: violence or pornographic images, inappropriate language, alcohol, drugs, gang symbols, political images or anything else deemed inappropriate by Sacred Heart Catholic School staff. These may result in disciplinary actions.
13. A teacher or supervisor will be notified immediately, if, by accident, materials are encountered which are inappropriate or make the student feel uncomfortable. This will protect you against a claim that you have intentionally violated access rules.
14. Be prepared to be held accountable for your actions and for the loss of privileges if the rules for acceptable use are broken.

Individual users, including faculty and staff, are responsible for their behavior while online. It is presumed that users will comply with school standards, Internet provider standards, and will honor the agreements they have signed. Violations will result in a loss of Internet access, the length of time to be determined by the principal, teacher, parent and student conference. Students will also be subject to the school discipline code.

PARENT CONSENT: I have read the above information about the appropriate use of technology at Sacred Heart Catholic School and have read and/or explained it to my child and am assured my child understands it. I also understand my own and my child's responsibilities regarding computer hardware, software, and Internet access at Sacred Heart.

I hereby consent to my child having access to, and the use of, the telecommunications resources at Sacred Heart. I also hereby indemnify and hold harmless the Archdiocese of St. Louis and Sacred Heart Catholic School from any claim, loss, or damages resulting from any infraction of the policy or any applicable law.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

STUDENT AGREEMENT: I read (or had explained to me) the above agreement. I agree to follow these rules. Should I commit any violations, my access privileges will be revoked, school disciplinary action may be taken, and/or appropriate legal action taken.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Grade: _____ Room: _____