

Acceptable Use Policy for Computers 2013-14

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Sierra View Junior Academy of the Seventh-day Adventist Education system is pleased to offer their students access to a computer network for electronic mail and the internet.

The internet is a powerful resource for expanding the educational experience of each student. Access to email and the internet will enable students to explore thousands of libraries, databases and bulletin boards while exchanging messages with internet users throughout the world. Unfortunately it is true that some material accessible via the internet may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or offensive. We believe, however, that the benefits to students in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration exceed any disadvantages and therefore choose to make internet available to our students. Ultimately, parents and guardian are responsible for setting and conveying the stands that their children should follow when using media and information sources. We respect each family's right to decide whether or not to apply for access.

Since the network is provided for students to conduct research and communicate with others, access is given to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Parental permission is required. Access is a privilege-not a right. Access entails responsibility.

Students are responsible for Christian behavior and communication on the school computer network, just as they are anywhere on the school campus. It is presumed that users will comply with school standards and will honor the agreements they have signed. The school takes very seriously the responsibility for appropriate use of the network. School staff will guide students toward resources acceptable within the framework of the general school standards. If a student accesses inappropriate material, the school will not be liable, and the student will forfeit network privileges at this institution.

Computer storage files will be treated like school lockers. School staff may review files and communication to maintain system integrity and insure the users are using the system responsibly.

Students will adhere to Christian principles and will:

- Be responsible and courteous in all communications.
- Be responsible with all computer hardware and software.
- Keep their passwords to themselves.
- Respect the confidentiality of folders, work and files of others.
- Learn about and observe copyright laws.

Any activity not in accordance with these general rules may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

- _____ I give permission for the above named student to use the internet under supervision.
- _____ I give permission for the above named student's picture to be used on the school's web page, school videos, social media or other school publications.

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____