

CYBERSAFETY AT GLENDOWIE COLLEGE

Computer & Internet Use Agreement for Secondary Students



INSTRUCTIONS Students and *parents/caregivers/legal guardians please read and discuss all sections carefully. *The term 'parent' used throughout this document also refers to legal guardians and caregivers.

Important terms used in this document:

- The abbreviation "ICT in this document refers to the term 'Information and Communication Technologies'.
- 'Cybersafety' refers to the safe use of the Internet and ICT equipment/devices, including mobile phones.
- 'School ICT' refers to the school's computer network, Internet access facilities, computers, and other school ICT equipment/devices as outlined in (d) below.
- The term 'ICT equipment/devices' used in this document, includes but is not limited to, computers (such as desktops, laptops, PDAs), storage devices (such as USB and flash memory devices, CDs, DVDs, MP3 players), cameras (such as video, digital, webcams), all types of mobile phones, gaming consoles, video and audio players/receivers, and any other similar technologies as they come into use.
- 'Objectionable' in this agreement means material that deals with matters such as sex, cruelty, or violence in such a manner that it is likely to be injurious to the good of students or incompatible with a school environment. This is intended to be inclusive of the definition used in the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993.

Additional information can be found on NetSafe's website www.netsafe.org.nz

SECTION A

The measures to ensure the cybersafety of Glendowie College outlined in this document are based on our core values.

INTRODUCTION

The school's computer network, Internet access facilities, computers and other school ICT equipment/devices bring great benefits to the teaching and learning programmes at Glendowie College, and to the effective operation of the school.

Our school has rigorous cybersafety practices in place, which include cybersafety use agreements for all school staff and students.

The overall goal of the school in this matter is to create and maintain a cybersafety culture which is in keeping with the values of the school, and legislative and professional obligations. This use agreement includes information about your obligations, responsibilities, and the nature of possible consequences associated with cybersafety breaches which undermine the safety of the school environment.

All students will be issued with a use agreement and once signed consent has been returned to school, students will be able to use the school ICT equipment/devices.

The school's computer network, Internet access facilities, computers and other school ICT equipment/devices are for educational purposes appropriate to the school environment. This applies whether the ICT equipment is owned/leased by the school, and used on **or off** the school site.

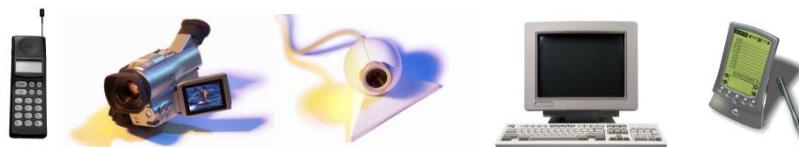
SECTION B

As a safe and responsible user of ICT I will help keep myself and other people safe by following these rules:

RULES TO HELP KEEP GLENDOWIE COLLEGE STUDENTS CYBERSAFE

- I cannot use school ICT equipment until my parent and I have read and signed my use agreement form and returned it to school.
- If I have my own user name, I will log on only with that user name. I will not allow anyone else to use my user name.
- I will not tell anyone else my password.
- While at school or a school-related activity, I will not have any involvement with any ICT material or activity which might put myself or anyone else at risk (e.g. bullying or harassing).
- I understand that I must not at any time use ICT to upset, offend, harass, threaten or in any way harm anyone connected to the school or the school itself, even if it is meant as a joke.
- I understand that the rules in this use agreement also apply to mobile phones. I will only use my mobile phone(s) at the times that I am permitted to during the school day.

7. I understand that I can only use the Internet at school when a teacher gives permission and there is staff supervision.
8. While at school, I will not:
 - **Access, or attempt to access, inappropriate, age restricted, or objectionable material**
 - **Download, save or distribute such material by copying, storing, printing or showing it to other people**
 - **Make any attempt to get around or bypass security, monitoring and filtering that is in place at school.**
9. If I accidentally access inappropriate material, I will:
 - **Not show others**
 - **Turn off the screen or minimise the window and**
 - **Report the incident to a teacher immediately**
10. I understand that I must not download any files such as music, videos, games or programs without the permission of a teacher. This makes sure the school complies with the Copyright Act 1994. I also understand that anyone who infringes copyright may be personally liable under this law.
11. I understand that these rules apply to any privately owned ICT equipment/device (such as a laptop, mobile phone, USB drive) I bring to school or a school-related activity. Any images or material on such equipment/devices must be appropriate to the school environment.
12. I will not connect any device (such as a USB drive, camera or phone) to, or attempt to run any software on, school ICT without a teacher's permission. **This includes all wireless technologies.**
13. I will ask a teacher's permission before giving out any personal information (including photos) online about myself or any other person. I will also get permission from any other person involved. Personal information includes name, address, email address, phone numbers, and photos.
14. I will respect all ICT systems in use at school and treat all ICT equipment/devices with care. This includes:
 - **Not intentionally disrupting the smooth running of any school ICT systems**
 - **Not attempting to hack or gain unauthorised access to any system**
 - **Following all school cybersafety rules, and not joining in if other students choose to be irresponsible with ICT**
 - **Reporting any breakages/damage to a staff member.**
15. I understand that the school may monitor traffic and material sent and received using the school's ICT network. The school may use filtering and/or monitoring software to restrict access to certain sites and data, including email. All inappropriate use of the school Internet access and/or email system is directed to the ICT Manager, Vicki Mercer. Inappropriate use of the school Internet access and/or email system will result in the loss of my privileges to use these systems for a minimum of one school term. Severe misuse may result in the loss of my privileges to use any ICT equipment and/or systems for the remainder of my time as a student of Glendowie College.
16. I understand that the school may audit its computer network, Internet access facilities, computers and other school ICT equipment/devices or commission an independent forensic audit. Auditing of the above items may include any stored content, and all aspects of their use, including email.
17. I understand that if I break these rules, the school may inform my parent(s). In serious cases the school may take disciplinary action against me. I also understand that my family may be charged for repair costs. If illegal material or activities are involved, it may be necessary for the school to inform the police.
18. I fully understand that if I break these rules it may have a negative impact on my achievement in courses requiring the use of the school's ICT equipment and/or systems. In the case of Computing courses breaking these rules may result in my removal from the course.



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