



## Central Arkansas Christian S C H O O L S

### Terms & Conditions for Student Internet Access 2017-2018

Parents and Guardians, please carefully read the following permission form before signing it. Your school's librarian will keep this permission form on file. This is a legally binding document.

Internet access is now available to students and teachers at **Central Arkansas Christian School**. Our goal in providing this service to students and teachers is to promote educational excellence in the school by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communications. The Internet is an electronic highway connecting thousands of computers all over the world and millions of individual subscribers. Students and teachers will have access to some or all of the following:

- ◆ Electronic mail communications with people all over the world;
- ◆ Information and news from research institutions;
- ◆ Public domain and software of all types;
- ◆ Discussion groups on a variety of topics;
- ◆ Access to many university library catalogs, the Library of Congress, CARL, and ERIC

With access to computers and people all over the world also comes the availability of material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting. Available precautions will be taken to restrict access to controversial and inappropriate information, but the valuable information and interaction available on this worldwide network far outweighs the possibility that users may procure material that is not consistent with the instructional goals of this project. Parents who do not wish their children to risk contact with this controversial and inappropriate information should **NOT** sign this agreement.

Internet access is coordinated through a complex association of government agencies and regional and state networks. In addition, the smooth operation of the network relies upon the proper conduct of the end users who must adhere to strict guidelines. These guidelines are provided below so that you are aware of the responsibilities you are about to acquire. If the student violates any of these provisions, future access could be denied. The signatures at the end of this document are legally binding and indicate the parties who signed have read the terms and conditions below and understand their significance.

- ◆ **Acceptable use:** The use of the account must be in support of education and research and be consistent with the educational objectives of the school. Use of other organizations network or computing resources must comply with the rules appropriate for that network. Transmission, downloading or viewing of any material in violation of Central Arkansas Christian School's policies or any U.S. or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material or material protected by a trade secret.

Use for commercial activities is not acceptable. Use for product advertising or political lobbying is also prohibited.

- ◆ **Privileges:** The use of Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in cancellation of these privileges. School officials shall apply the same criteria of educational suitability used to review other educational resources when questions arise concerning access to specific databases or other electronic media.
- ◆ **Netiquette:** The student is expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:
  1. Avoid offensive or inflammatory speech. Be courteous and polite.
  2. Use appropriate language. Profanity or obscenity is not permitted at any time.
  3. Avoid revealing your personal address or telephone number or the address or phone number of other students or colleagues.
  4. Note that electronic mail (e-mail) is not guaranteed to be private. People who operate the system do have access to mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities or violations of school policy may be reported to the appropriate authorities.
  5. Do not use the network in such a way that you would disrupt the work of others.
  6. All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property. Do not quote personal communication without the author's prior consent.
- ◆ **Vandalism:** Vandalism will result in a cancellation of privileges. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, Internet or other networks that are connected to the Internet backbone. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.
- ◆ **Accounts:** If the student has his/her own account, he/she must abide by all of the Terms and Conditions set forth in this agreement.
- ◆ **Security:** Security on any computer system is a high priority, especially when the system involves many users. Never share a password or account with anyone. The student has full responsibility for use of the Internet and can be held responsible for any policy violations that are traced to his/her account or activity while on-line.
- ◆ **Exception of Terms and Conditions:** These Terms and Conditions for the Student's Access to the Internet reflect the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior oral and written agreements and understandings of the parties. These Terms and Conditions shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the policies of **Central Arkansas Christian School**, the laws of the State of Arkansas, and the United State of America.

**ATTENTION STUDENT:** I understand and will abide by the Terms and Conditions for Internet access adopted by **Central Arkansas Christian School**. I further understand that any violation of the regulations above is unethical and may constitute a criminal offense. Should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked and school disciplinary action may be taken, along with appropriate legal actions.

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Student's Signature

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Date

**ATTENTION PARENT OR GUARDIAN:** A parent or guardian must also read and sign this agreement in order for the student to have access to the Internet.

As the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ I have read and agreed with the Terms and conditions for Internet access. I understand that this service is designed for educational purposes, and **Central Arkansas Christian School** has taken available precautions to control access to controversial and inappropriate material. However, I also recognize it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial and inappropriate materials acquired on the network. Further, I have read and discussed the Terms and Conditions of Internet access with my child. If I wish to revoke this permission, I must retrieve this document from the school librarian.

I hereby give permission for my child to have Internet access.

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Printed name of parent or guardian

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Signature of parent or guardian

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Date signed