

Acceptable Computer Use Policy

Calvary Lutheran High School seeks to provide our students with up-to-date educational resources and technology, including the Internet. To use the Internet independently, outside of a regular class activity, all students must obtain parental permission and agree to follow the policies outlined below, which will be kept on file as a legally binding agreement.

Access to the Internet provides students with many educational opportunities, but some Internet material may contain items that are illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or offensive. Therefore, all users must understand and practice proper ethical and legal use.

While our intent is to make Internet access available for appropriate educational and recreational use, students may find ways to access other materials as well. It is the user's responsibility to not initiate access to improper material or to immediately exit if inappropriate material is accidentally found. If such material is found or appears, the principal or supervising teacher should be notified immediately after the student exists the site.

We believe the benefits of access to the Internet exceed the disadvantages, and parents and guardians have the responsibility for setting and conveying standards regarding its use. Students have the obligation of abiding by these standards. Although the students' use of the Internet is supervised, Calvary Lutheran High School does not possess failsafe barriers or censors to Internet material.

School use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in the revocation of this privilege. Calvary reserves the right to review and monitor any computer use and to make the determination whether specific uses are inappropriate.

The following policies exist to ensure the ethical, legal, and proper use of the Internet and school computers:

1. Accessing the accounts and files of others without permission is prohibited. Students should take appropriate steps to protect their own information and should never provide personal information to people they don't know.
2. Attempts to subvert the network or to impair the functionality of the network or individual computers or to bypass restrictions set by Calvary are prohibited. Students are not to change the settings or functions of any computer.
3. Improper use or distribution of information is prohibited. This includes copyright violations, such as software piracy, plagiarism, or a violation of the Honor Code.
4. Using the Internet or school network for commercial purposes or in support of illegal activities is prohibited.
5. Students are limited to appropriate educational material. A simple standard is, "Would I show this material to my parents and teachers?" Calvary reserves the right to monitor and review any computer use or material.

Student User Agreement

I understand and will abide by the procedures and Acceptable Use Policy for Calvary Lutheran High School for independent access of the electronic resources of Calvary. I further understand that any violation or the regulations is unethical, and should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be suspended or revoked, school disciplinary and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

In consideration for the privilege of using Calvary's electronic resources and in consideration for having access to the information obtained via it, I hereby release and agree to hold harmless Calvary from any and all claims or damages of any nature arising from my access, use, or inability to access or use the computers or network system.

Student Name (Please Print) _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Consent for Independent Use

As the parent or guardian of the student signing above, I have read the Acceptable Computer Use Policy. I understand and agree that individuals and families may be held liable for violations. I understand that some materials on the computers or the Internet may be objectionable, but I accept responsibility for the guidance of computer and Internet use, including setting and conveying standards for my student to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring information and media. Furthermore, I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a supervised classroom setting. By checking below, I grant the following permissions for my student to access the networked computer services.

Academic: My student may work on academic or school related assignments and projects. May: _____ May Not: _____

Entertainment: My student may use social networking options. (i.e. e-mail, facebook, etc.) May: _____ May Not: _____

Entertainment: My student may play games and access appropriate videos and music. May: _____ May Not: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____