

TRINITY EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

Student and Parent Agreement for the Acceptable Use of the School's Electronic Communication System and Internet Access

Students may be given access to Trinity Episcopal School's (the "School") electronic communications system (ECS) for educational purposes. **The electronic communications system is defined as the School's network, servers, computer workstations, peripherals, applications, databases, online resources, Internet access, email and any other technology designated for use by the students.**

This educational opportunity is a privilege, not a right. Therefore, it comes with responsibility. It is important that students and parents read the Regulation for Acceptable Use in their handbook and this agreement form, and then ask questions if you need help understanding them. Noncompliance will result in the consequences below, including suspension of access or termination of privileges.

Please acknowledge receipt and understanding of these items found in your Trinity Handbook by completing and returning the attached Notice of Acknowledgement and Agreement Form.

Please note that Internet access is part of the School's electronic communications system. The Internet is a network of many types of communication and information networks enabling students to explore thousands of libraries, databases, and other resources while exchanging messages with people around the world. The School expects that faculty will blend thoughtful use of the School's ECS and the Internet throughout the curriculum and will provide guidance and instruction to students in their use. Although users will be monitored, they are responsible for their own use of the ECS. The School shall not be liable to any user or to any third party for person's inappropriate use of the ECS, violations of copyright laws, mistakes or negligence, or costs incurred by users. The School shall not be responsible for ensuring accuracy, age appropriateness, or usability of any information found on the Internet. ECS users and parents/guardians of Trinity students should be aware that information and other materials accessible by means of their ECS access may include inaccurate or objectionable material. It will be each student's responsibility to follow the rules for appropriate and acceptable use presented in the Trinity Handbook.

SOME RULES FOR APPROPRIATE USE

- Students must only open, view, modify, and delete their own computer files, unless they have specific permission for a teacher or staff member to do otherwise.
- Internet use at school must be directly related to school assignments and projects.
- Students may be assigned an individual email address or account and must use only those accounts and passwords that they have been granted permission to use. All account activity should be for educational purposes only.

INAPPROPRIATE USES

- Using Trinity's ECS for illegal purposes.
- Sharing your user name and password with others, borrowing someone else's user name, password, or account access.
- Purposefully opening, viewing, using, or deleting files belong to another user without permission.
- Electronically posting information about yourself or others.
- Downloading or plagiarizing copyrighted information without permission from the copyright holder.
- Playing computer games unless directed by a teacher.

CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE

- Suspension of access to the School's electronic communication system;
- Revocation of the School's ECS account(s); and/or
- Other appropriate disciplinary or legal action in accordance with the Discipline Code as set forth in the Trinity Handbook.

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Student and Parent Agreement Form for Acceptable Use of the School's Electronic Communications System

STUDENT:

_____ I understand that my computer use is not private and that the School will monitor my activity on the computer system.

_____ I have read the School's electronic communications system policy in the Trinity Handbook and Acceptable Use Agreement and agree to abide by their provisions. I understand that violation of these provisions may result in suspension or revocation of system access.

PARENT:

I have read the School's electronic communications system policy in the Trinity Handbook and Acceptable Use Agreement. In consideration for the privilege of my child using the School's electronic communications system and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release Trinity Episcopal School, its operators, and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use the system, including, without limitation, the type of damage identified in the School's Policy and Acceptable Use Agreement.

_____ **I give permission** for my child to participate in Trinity Episcopal School's electronic communications system and certify that the information contained on this form is correct.

_____ **I do not give permission** for my child to participate in Trinity Episcopal School's electronic communications system.

Student's Name (Please Print)

Grade Level

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date