

## COMPUTER/INTERNET USE AGREEMENT

Parents, please complete the following information and the releases on the back:

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' names \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime tel. # \_\_\_\_\_

Westside Christian Academy believes that use of instruction technology (including computers and the Internet) offers unique resources for students and teachers. The Academy's goal in providing this service to students is to promote educational excellence in schools by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. All Academy computer/Internet users are required to sign this agreement and to abide by the terms and conditions of our Academy policies. The Academy does not authorize any technology use that is not conducted strictly in compliance with this agreement.

In general, we expect computer use to adhere to the following guidelines.

- Be polite. Personal attacks are an unacceptable use of the network.
- Use of any inappropriate language is not permitted.
- Do not use the computer in such a way that would disrupt the use of the network by other users. Browsing on other computers in the school network is not permitted. Do not begin or contribute to chain letters.
- Reading, deleting, changing, or copying files and/or data belonging to other users without their permission is not allowed.
- Any deliberate action which damages or disrupts a computing system, changes its normal performance, or causes it to malfunction is not allowed.
- Logging onto a computer with anyone else's password or identity is not permitted.

**Your signature on the next page indicates that you have read the terms and conditions of this agreement carefully and understand their significance.**

### **Student Access to Inappropriate Online Material-- Assumption of Risk by Parent**

Access to the Internet through Academy computers is monitored by teachers or other Academy personnel. Every effort will be made to limit access to those online services that have been authorized for study and research. However, determined users may be able to access services and communicate with people on the Internet, and students may intentionally or unintentionally gain access to information and communications that they or their parents or guardians find inappropriate, offensive, controversial, or otherwise objectionable. This may include, but is not limited to, the following topics, issues, or activities:

Unauthorized computer access ("hacking") and other unlawful activities by minors Unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors Illegal and/or immoral acts	Pornography Messages containing threats or language constituting racial and/or cultural hatred Pages containing profanity, including song lyrics Unauthorized use of chat rooms; game or game cheat sites; or music, movie, or software download sites (e.g., Napster)
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By consenting, with your signature on this page, to allow your child to use the Internet, you assume the risks spelled out in this paragraph.

### **Discipline**

Students who violate the Academy's Internet Use Policy and this Agreement may have their computer use privileges suspended or revoked, and may incur other discipline as set forth in the WCA Parent-Student Handbook.

**Acknowledgment and Release** (Both the "Student" section and the "Parent/Guardian" section *must* be completed.)

### ***Student***

- I have read and discussed the Computer/Internet Use Agreement with my parent(s)/guardian(s) and teacher. I understand my responsibilities. I also consent to and understand that school staff may monitor my electronic communications, including logs showing my Internet access, e-mail, and downloaded files.
- If I commit any violation, my rights to use the Academy's computers may be terminated, and other disciplinary action, as stated in the Discipline policy, which I have read, may be taken.
- I hereby release the Academy and all Academy personnel from any claims arising from my use of computers and the Internet, including, but not limited to, materials I may download or relationships I may establish with people online.
- I also agree to release from fault the Academy all Academy personnel from any claims made by third parties arising from my use of the computer and/or Internet whether such claims arise from technology use performed on Academy computers through Academy accounts or personal computers through personal accounts.
- I will take responsibility for any account that is given to me, and will keep my password and/or user identification private.
- Finally, I agree to report any misuse of school Internet resources by other students to my teacher or administrator.

Student signature Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print name of student \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Parent/Guardian***

- As the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student named above, I/we have read the Internet Use Agreement and discussed it with my/our child. I/We understand that Internet access is designed for educational purposes. I/We hereby give permission to the Academy to open an Internet account for my/our child and certify that information contained in this agreement is correct. I/We consent to and understand that Academy staff may monitor my/our child's electronic communications, including email, and files that he or she downloads.
- I/We hereby release, personally and as guardian(s) of, and on behalf of, my/our child, the Academy, and all Academy personnel from any claims arising from my/our child's use of technology, including, but not limited to, claims arising from materials my/our child may download or relationships he or she may establish with people online, whether such claims arise from use of school computers through Academy accounts or personal computers through personal accounts.
- I/We also hereby agree to release from fault the Academy and all Academy personnel from any claims made by third parties arising from my/our child's technology use whether such claims arise from use of Academy computers through Academy accounts or personal computers through personal accounts.

Signature(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print name(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_