Skagit Adventist Academy

Internet, Devices, and Computer Acceptable Use Policy

Access to the Internet is available to students of Skagit Adventist Academy. The goal is to promote educational excellence by facilitating research, resource sharing, innovation, and communication. The Internet and all devices used to connect to it are to be used consistently with the educational objectives of Skagit Adventist Academy.

Any use of technology (including, but not limited to downloading, transmitting information, or communication) that is not for educational purposes will be considered inappropriate use and may result in loss of computer and internet access and/or other discipline.

If a student loses his/her internet and computer-use privileges, it will be the student's responsibility to utilize other methods to complete their schoolwork. Loss of computer and internet privileges due to inappropriate use will not be a valid excuse for late or incomplete schoolwork.

Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place using electronic technology. Electronic technology includes devices and equipment such as cell phones, computers, and tablets as well as communication tools including social media sites, text messages, chat, and websites. Cyberbullying will be dealt with according to SAA's behavior policy.

The Law

A number of Washington State laws cover bullying. More information is available at <u>www.stopbullying.gov/laws/washington.html</u>.

Parent Release

I hereby release SAA and its personnel from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use the school technology, including but not limited to claims that may arise from the unauthorized use of the computer device to purchase products or services.

I understand that it is impossible for SAA to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold the school responsible for materials accessed on the network. I also agree to report any inappropriate computer device use to school administration.

I accept full responsibility when my child's use of technology is not in the school setting and understand that my child is subject to the same rules and agreements while not in school.

I have read and understand the information contained in SAA's official *Computer Device Acceptable Use Policy* and agree to abide by the rules set forth in this document.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print):

Parent/Guardian Signature:

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Student Pledge

- I will use my computer device in ways that are appropriate, meet SAA expectations, and are educational.
- I will use appropriate language when using e-mail, journals, wikis, blogs, or any other forms of communication. I will not create or encourage others to create discourteous or abusive content. I will not use electronic communication to spread rumors, gossip, or engage in any activity that is harmful to other persons.
- I understand that my computer device is subject to inspection at any time without notice and remains the property of SAA.
- I will follow the policies outlined in the *Computer Device Acceptable Use Policy* and the SAA Handbook both at school and at home.
- I will take good care of my computer device.
- I will never leave the computer device unattended, and I will know where it is at all times.
- I will protect my computer device by carrying it in the case provided.
- I will never loan out my computer device or give my password to other individuals.
- I will charge my computer device battery daily and arrive at school with my device charged.
- I will keep food and beverages away from my computer device since they may cause damage to the device.
- I will clean the screen with a soft, anti-static cloth ONLY--no cleaners
- I will not disassemble any part of my computer device or attempt any repairs.
- I will not place decorations (such as stickers, markers, etc.) on the computer device or do anything to permanently alter the computer device in anyway.
- I will not remove or deface the serial number or other identification on any computer device.
- I will inform my homeroom teacher and the school office or file a police report in case of theft, vandalism, and other acts covered by insurance.
- I will be responsible for all damage or loss caused by neglect or abuse.
- I agree to return the computer device and original power cords in good working condition.

I have **read** and **agree to abide by the terms** stated in Skagit Adventist Academy's Internet, computer device, and Computer Acceptable Use Policy.

I agree to the stipulations set forth in the above documents.

Student Name (please print): _____

Student Signature: