



## Acceptable Internet Use Statement

Internet access is made available to students enrolled at DNI to further their education and to staff to enhance their professional activities including teaching, research, administration and management. The school's internet access policy has been drawn up to protect all parties - the students, the staff and the school. The school reserves the right to examine or delete any files that may be held on our drive or to monitor any internet sites visited. This includes mobile phones or devices being used by students during school hours.

- Access must only be made via the authorised account and password, which must not be made available to any other person.
- All Internet use should be appropriate to student's education.
- Activity that threatens the integrity of the school ICT systems, or that attacks or corrupts other systems, is forbidden.
- Sites accessed and materials viewed and/or downloaded must be appropriate to work in school. Users will recognise materials that are inappropriate and should expect to have their access revoked if it is used inappropriately.
- Users are responsible for e-mail they send and for contacts made that may result in e-mail being received.
- The normal rules of social interaction apply to e-mail. The remoteness of the recipients must not be used to excuse anti social behaviour: harassment, intimidation and bullying behaviour.
- The same professional levels of language and content should be applied as for letters or other media, particularly as e-mail is often forwarded.
- Posting anonymous messages and forwarding anonymous communication is forbidden.
- Facebook (and other social media.) Facebook requires everyone to be at least **13 years old** before they can create an account. Creating an account with false information is a violation of their terms. This includes accounts registered on the behalf of someone under 13. While we have little control over how students use technology outside of school, we wholeheartedly support this age limit as we find that many conflicts arise, or are continued via social media. Using social media sites at school are not permitted.
- Copyright of materials and intellectual property rights must be respected.
- Legitimate private interests may be followed, providing school use is not compromised.
- Use for personal financial gain, gambling, political purposes or advertising is forbidden.

Students requesting internet access should sign a copy of this Acceptable Internet Use Statement and return it to their teacher for approval.

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**STAFF - THIS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE ONCE SIGNED BY ALL THREE PARTIES**