

# 9th-12th Grade In-School Use of Computer/Internet Resources

Please read the following carefully before signing the attached agreement.

Dominion Academy of Dayton (DA) provides a computer laboratory with Internet access for student use. Authorized students may use these computers as tools to complete a wide range of school and approved extracurricular assignments/projects. Through the Internet, students may conduct research and gather resources such as reference documents and images necessary to complete and enhance their work. Our goal is the appropriate use of technology to promote education excellence. The purpose of this document is to inform parents, guardians, and students of the availability of these resources, the rules governing their use, and to obtain express parental or guardian permission for their use while at school.

We view computer technology and the Internet through a Biblical worldview where technology is not the thing to be esteemed, but is means to study the Creator and the world He has created for us. Our hearts need to be guarded in all of life's experiences (II Cor. 10:5), but especially where research, visual images, and data retrieval may imprint lasting impressions on developing minds and spirits (Matt. 12:35, Luke 6:45). We seek not a device of temptation but a tool to be used wisely, embracing only the parts that will not defile our heart and soul (Matt. 15:18-19) as we eagerly train young people after God's own heart (I Thes. 3:13). It is our resolve to use the Internet with the same attitude Paul had in writing to the Romans, "But yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil," (Rom. 16:19) as well as what he wrote later to the Philippians, "Finally brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things (Phil. 4:8). We use a sophisticated filtering and monitoring system to attempt to screen out inappropriate sites and materials.

The Internet is an electronic highway connecting computers all over the world which can give teachers and students access to an ever increasing variety of rich educational resources. The educational value of appropriate information on the Internet is substantial. The Internet is composed of information provided by institutions and people all over the world, and thus, also includes material that is not of educational value. There is information that may be judged as inaccurate, abusive profane, sexually oriented, or illegal. We do not condone or permit the use of this material. While our internal computer labs provides an excellent filter to block access to inappropriate materials, it is a joint responsibility of school personnel and the parent or guardian of each student to educate the student about his or her responsibility when using the Internet. One of our school goals is to support students in appropriate use of this vast reservoir of information. Internet access is available to students in areas that may be supervised. Parents and guardians must be aware that while at school, direct supervision by

school personnel of each student using the computers is not always possible. Students are expected to use these resources in a manner consistent with this contract and will be held responsible for their use. We strongly encourage parents to discuss with their children their own expectations for their child's Internet use.

### PROPER AND ACCEPTABLE USE OF THE INTERNET

The Internet may be accessed in DA computer labs and through personal computers and a wide variety of personal electronic equipment. Students, may receive permission to access DA's wireless networks upon accepting the terms and conditions in this document.

The use of the Internet at DA may be in support of school work and academic research and consistent with the educational objectives of Dominion Academy of Dayton. Appropriate recreational use is also permitted as part of our overall learning objectives on a non priority basis.

*Internet activities that are permitted and encouraged:* 

- Investigation of specific topics being studied in school
- Investigation of opportunities outside of school related to community service, church, employment, or further education

*Internet activities that are not permitted:* 

- Searching, viewing, or retrieving materials that are sexually explicit (or otherwise inappropriate or not consistent with Christian standards), profane, violence-promoting, or illegal materials is not permitted.)
- Copying, saving, or redistributing copyrighted materials (Users should assume that all material is copyrighted unless explicitly noted.)
- Subscription to any services or ordering any kids of goods or services;
- Sharing of the student's home address, phone number, or any other personal information;
- Any activity that violates a school rule or a local, state, or federal law.

# DA COMPUTER LAB EXPECTATIONS

- 1. Computer classes always have priority use of the DA computer labs.
- 2. Users of the Computer Lab are to behave in a Christian manner. Courtesy and respect for others and equipment must govern all that is done in the Lab.
- 3. Do not alter or damage computer lab computers, peripherals or software.
- 4. No personal software of any type is to be used on DA computer lab equipment without prior approval.
- 5. Students are only allowed to use computers designated for student use. Students may not use staff computers.

If a student has any questions about whether a specific activity is permitted, he or she should ask a teacher or staff member. If a student accidentally accesses inappropriate material, he or she must terminate access immediately. Report such incidents to a teacher or staff member.

## RELIABILITY

Dominion Academy of Dayton makes no warranties of any kind, whether express or implied, for the service it is providing. DA will not be responsible for any damages you suffer. This includes non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the user's own risk. DA specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through the Internet.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All terms and conditions as stated in this document are applicable to any part of DA, both computers and networks. These terms and conditions reflect the entire agreement of the parties and supersede all prior oral or written agreements and understanding of the parties for in-school Internet access.

### **MISUSE**

Violation of the terms of this agreement will result in suspension of revocation of a student's access to the Internet and computer use. Any action taken by a student which is a violation of school standards will be subject to school disciplinary actions. Your signature(s) on the attached agreement is (are) legally binding and indicates the party (parties) who signed has (have) read the terms and conditions carefully and understand(s) their significance.

Parents, please keep this portion of the Terms and Conditions for In-School Use of Internet Resources for your records. The attached agreement (last page) must be signed and returned to the school to permit your student's in-school use of the Internet and computer labs.

Questions and technical support requests including userid and password issues may be directed to Mr. Andy Figueroa at andy.figueroa@dominionacademy.org or by phone at 937-409-8674.

# **Computer and Internet Use**

As parents of a student attending Dominion Academy of Dayton, we have read the terms and conditions for in-school use of computers and the Internet resources. I agree to all the terms and conditions as stated in this document.

Parent Name	
Parent Signature	Date
Parent Name	
Parent signature	Date
Parent email for delivery of student id and password:	
As a student attending Dominion Academy of Dayton, I have read the terms and conditions for in-school use of computers and the Internet resources. I agree to all the terms and conditions as stated in this document.	
Student Name (please print)	
Signature	Date
Grade	
Student email if exists:	
Actions required:	
Parents/student: Complete, sign and return this page only to	o the school.

School: Deliver a copy of this form or facsimile to the network administrator.