



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Computers and the internet are provided here at Redeemer for students to use as tools in the learning process. Students are responsible for good behavior on the school computer network, just as they are in the classroom or school hallway or on computers at home. Access to the computers and internet services at RCS is given to students who agree to act in a responsible and ethical manner. Parent permission is required. Access is a privilege – not a right. Access entails responsibility. Individual users of Redeemer computers are responsible for their behavior and communications over both school and internet networks. It is presumed that users will comply with Redeemer Conduct Code and will honor the agreements they have signed. Besides the clarification of such standards, we at Redeemer will do our best to monitor students' use of the internet. We do, however, ask that you set and convey standards at home for your child to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring information and media on the internet.

Please read and complete the attached form so that your child can begin using the school computers and the internet. The internet may be used both in computer class and in the classroom in 3rd through 8th grade.

In Christ,

Mrs. Bahke

Conduct Code for Computer Access

The following guidelines are in place to encourage all users to:

1. protect their privacy and respect the privacy of others.
2. protect their property and respect the property of others.
3. use technology in constructive ways and in ways which do not break the rules of family, religion, school or government.

A. The following actions are not allowed:

1. Sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures.
2. Using obscene language.
3. Harassing, insulting, or attacking others verbally.
4. Damaging computers, computer systems, or computer networks.
5. Destroying data of another user.
6. Violating copyright laws.
7. Using a personal account to access the Internet at school.
8. Intentionally wasting limited resources.
9. Employing or using the Internet for commercial uses.
10. Using computers in such a way that it interferes with the educational process of RCS.
11. Other violations deemed unacceptable by the general standards of our faith and the policies of our school.

B. In addition to the inappropriate behaviors listed above, also included are these ground rules for use of the world wide web:

1. Do NOT give out personal information such as your address, telephone number, parents' work address or telephone number, or the name and location of our school without permission.
2. Do NOT enter chat areas. At some sites there may be an opportunity to enter a chat line. You are NOT to do this.
3. At some sites, there are questionnaires to fill out. You are NOT to do this without permission from your teacher.
4. At some sites, there is advertising. There may be order forms to purchase something. You are NOT to fill out any of these forms.
5. If you arrive at a site that is offensive to Christians, use the back button to leave the site and report it immediately to the teacher.

C. Those students who violate the above policy may lose the right to use the computer and internet networks at school for the amount of time deemed appropriate by the teacher, principal, and/or school board. In addition, school disciplinary action may be taken including, if necessary, appropriate legal action.

User agreement on the next page.

User Agreement and Parental Permission

As a user of Redeemer's computers,

- I have read and understand the Conduct Code for Computer Access.
- I further understand that any violation of the policies is unethical and may constitute a violation of law.
- Should I commit any violation, my access and privileges may be revoked, temporarily or permanently, school disciplinary action may be taken, and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

As a user of Redeemer's computers, I hereby agree to comply with the stated rules and guidelines.

Student's Full Name (please print)

Student Signature (grades 4 – 8 only)

Date

As the parent or legal guardian of the minor student signing above, I have read and understand the Conduct Code for Computer Access. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I therefore grant permission for my son or daughter to access the computers and internet at Redeemer Christian School.

- I understand that individuals and families may be held legally liable for violations.
- I understand that some materials on the Internet may be objectionable, but I accept responsibility for guidance of Internet use – setting and conveying standards for my daughter or son to follow when selecting, sharing, or exploring information and media.

Should I later become concerned about what my child is reading or viewing on the internet, I understand that I can terminate this approval by contacting the principal, computer teacher or classroom teacher.

Parent Signature

Date