

Computer-Internet Acceptable Conduct and Use Agreement

Our Lady of the Valley educates 21st century learners through 21st century teaching. Our objective is to fully prepare students to use the resources available in appropriate, constructive, productive, and intelligent ways. We provide students with numerous technology resources. This agreement, along with the student handbook, instructs students on appropriate use and prohibited activities when using technology resources. Students are expected to follow the guidelines stated below and use appropriate digital citizenship.

In accepting this agreement, students acknowledge the following rules and conditions:

As an OLV student, I understand that my school network is owned by the school and my work is not private. OLV has the right to access my information at any time.

Government Laws:

I will use computers in conformity with the laws of the United States and the State of Alabama. Violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

Criminal Acts – These include, but are not limited to, “hacking” or attempting to access computer systems without authorization, harassing email, cyber stalking, vandalism, and/or unauthorized tampering with computer systems.

Libel Laws – Publicly defaming people through the published material on the internet, email, etc.

Copyright Violations – Copying, selling or distributing copyrighted materials without the written permission of the author, engaging plagiarism.

Netiquette and Responsible Use:

I will be polite and use appropriate language in all my digital communications.

I will use all digital communication responsibly. I will not send or post hate or harassing mail nor engage in cyber bullying.

I understand that passwords are private. I will not allow anyone to use my password or try to use that of others.

I understand that what I do on social networking websites should not reflect negatively on my fellow students, teachers, or OLV School.

I will be held responsible for how I represent myself and my school on the Internet.

I understand that pretending to be someone else on-line is forbidden.

I will not try to bypass security settings or Internet filters.

I understand that vandalism is prohibited.

I understand the Internet is a source for information that is both true and false and the school is not responsible for inaccurate information obtained from the Internet.

I will use the technology at OLV for educational purposes only.

I will follow the rules of the school when publishing schoolwork online.

I will honor my school’s procedures for the storage of information. I realize that after prior notice has been given to me, files may be deleted from the system to protect the integrity of the network or because of space limitations on the computer’s hard drive.

I will not reveal my personal information, home address, or personal phone number or those of students, teachers, or other staff members.

The use of the computer is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in the cancellation of these privileges.

Consequences for violation of this agreement:

I understand and will abide by the above Acceptable Use Agreement. Should I commit a violation, I understand that consequences of my actions could include suspension of computer privileges, school disciplinary action, and/or referral to law enforcement.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Acceptable Conduct and Use Agreement. I am aware that technology access is provided for educational purposes. I recognize that it is impossible for OLV to restrict access to all controversial materials, and I will not hold the school responsible for materials acquired on the school network. I also understand that children’s computer activities at home should be supervised because they can affect the school environment. I give permission for my child to use technology resources at OLV.

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Parent/Guardian Name (please print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____