



Rosmini College Acceptable Use Policy

Terms and Conditions for Computer and Internet Use

Parents - Please read the following carefully and have a conversation with your son regarding appropriate use of devices and being a good eCitizen before signing. Please explain to your son the seriousness of an offence against the laws mentioned.

The following terms and conditions is a subset of the College's ePolicy which gives the framework that resulted in this document.

Rosmini College Computer Use - Terms and Conditions

- 1) **Acceptable Use** - The purpose of the computer network and the Internet is to help and support research for educational purposes by providing access to unique resources and the opportunity for collaborative work. The computer and Internet resources may not be used to upload, download, or distribute defamatory, pornographic, obscene, sexually explicit, threatening or bullying material. The Internet resources may not be used to infringe on copyright or to plagiarise materials in any form. Any student found accessing or distributing pornography will be dealt with in accordance with to the schools "Pornography and Inappropriate digital content" policy.
- 2) **Login ID** – Users may only access the school network via their own, unique user ID. This ID may only be used by the person for whom it was created. It is the user's responsibility to keep the password to their account secret. The user will be held responsible for any actions carried out with their account. Use of someone else's account will result in that account being suspended.
- 3) **Netiquette** - You are expected to follow the generally accepted rules of "network etiquette". These include (but are not limited to) the following: Be polite, Do not write or send abusive or bullying messages to others, Use appropriate language, Do not swear, use vulgarities, or use inappropriate language. Other people's e-mail communications and information, stored on the network should be assumed to be private property and not accessed or used without their permission.
- 4) **E-mail** – Over and above the points mentioned under "Netiquette", users are not permitted to send spam. School e-mail may only be used for school related purposes.
- 5) **School IT Hardware** – Users are not permitted to unplug devices from a computer, or plug ones into a computer, without permission from a staff member. Any damaged hardware must be reported immediately; repairs must not be attempted by the user.
- 6) **Use of personal hardware** – The school shall not be held responsible for the loss, theft or damage of any personal computers, personal IT hardware or software that students may bring into school. No hardware containing illegal or inappropriate content or software may be brought onto the school premises. Furthermore, these devices may not be used to access such content via the internet, or otherwise, while at school. These devices may only be used with express permission of a staff member.
- 7) **Student photos & work** - Rosmini reserve the right to take photos of activities and children participating in our school activities for purposes of news, record keeping and publicity purposes. By enrolling a child in at Rosmini College you give your consent for photos to be taken of your child and for these photos to possibly be published online or in print. If you do not want photos of your children to be published then you need to let the College know in writing. As with photos, in order to show the success of our students, Rosmini College reserves the right to publish students' work both online and in print. Students not wanting their work to be published will need to let the school know in writing.
- 8) **I accept that any breach of these conditions may be deemed 'gross misconduct' for the purposes of a stand-down or suspension under the Education Act 1989.**

Parents, students and staff need to be aware of legislation that covers the misuse of electronic devices.

Crimes Act 1961 Section 216 - liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years who intentionally or recklessly makes or has in their possession an intimate visual recording of another person.

An intimate visual recording means a visual recording (for example, a photograph, videotape, or digital image) that is made in any medium using any device without the knowledge or consent of the person who is the subject of the recording, and the recording is of—

- a) a person who is in a place which, in the circumstances, would reasonably be expected to provide privacy, and that person is—
 - i. naked or has his or her genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or female breasts exposed, partially exposed, or clad solely in undergarments; or
 - ii. engaged in an intimate sexual activity; or
 - iii. engaged in showering, toileting, or other personal bodily activity that involves dressing or undressing; or
- b) a person's naked or undergarment-clad genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or female breasts which is made—
 - i. from beneath or under a person's clothing; or
 - ii. through a person's outer clothing in circumstances where it is unreasonable to do so.

In section 216H, intimate visual recording includes an intimate visual recording that is made and transmitted in real time without retention or storage in—

- a) a physical form; or
- b) an electronic form from which the recording is capable of being reproduced with or without the aid of any device or thing.

Harmful Digital Communications Act 2015 - liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or a fine not exceeding \$50,000.

A person commits an offence if—

- a) the person posts a digital communication with the intention that it cause harm to a victim; and
- b) posting the communication would cause harm to an ordinary reasonable person in the position of the victim; and
- c) posting the communication causes harm to the victim.

A person commits an offence who incites, counsels, or procures another person to commit suicide, even if that other person does not commit or attempt to commit suicide in consequence of that conduct.

In the most serious case, Rosmini College will refer the matter to the Police to deal with.

Student

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

I have read the Acceptable Use Policy. I understand it, and will agree to do what it says. I also understand that breaking these rules is unethical and may be a criminal offence. If I break any rules I may not be allowed use of the system, and disciplinary action may be taken along with appropriate legal action.

User Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian (If the applicant is under the age of 18 a parent or guardian must also read and sign this agreement.)

As the parent or guardian of this student I have read the Acceptable Use Policy for Computer and Internet Use at Rosmini College. I understand that this use is designed for educational purposes and Rosmini College has taken available precautions to eliminate controversial material.

Parent Name & Signature: _____ Date: _____