

# PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK AND INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Pius X High School actively pursues making advanced technology and increased access to learning opportunities available to students. Internet access is available at Pius X to allow students and staff to access and use information sources from international computers and share information with others. Computers (including iPads) are provided in the building for student use; personal devices are not allowed to connect to the Pius X network.

In accordance with Pius X's motto to "Restore all things in Christ", students are expected to use technology in an ethical and moral manner. Accessing information or using computers in any way counter to the Pius X mission statement (such as accessing or posting to sites which include information on illegal drug use, pornography, bigotry, hate, violence or other criminal and unacceptable behavior) is not allowed. Students doing research on controversial issues must always receive permission from their teacher and/or other Pius X staff members before using Internet sites. Students are not to access IM, social networking sites, chat or personal email for non-academic purposes. Students may not conduct financial transactions, or otherwise use the school technology for personal gain.

Students are not allowed to alter computer settings or add software to hard drives without express permission from a faculty or staff member. Unauthorized access of computer logins, software, directories and files is prohibited. Activities which are illegal (such as 'hacking'), immoral, dangerous, or destructive are prohibited. Students are expected to respect the privacy rights of others by accessing only their own documents. Plagiarism is prohibited. It is the user's responsibility when downloading content to check for copyright or licensing agreements and to pay for any copyrighted content. Use of Pius X, its motto, and its logo is not allowed on any website without permission by school administrators. Negative or unjust portrayals of school or persons associated with the school on any website (including social networking sites) may be subject to disciplinary measures. This applies to actions initiated either in or out of school.

Students are not to waste or take supplies, such as paper, printer cartridges or toner, etc. provided by Pius X High School. Students should print only one copy of their work on the printers. If additional copies are needed, they should be photocopied.

Anything transmitted on the network is the property of the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln and may be monitored by the administration and faculty. The school administration may revoke computer privileges at any time, or pursue disciplinary or legal action against students who violate this acceptable use policy. Students may be supervised and guided in their use of the Internet, but it is the student's responsibility to use the system in accordance with the rules. The school administration and faculty will decide whether an act constitutes inappropriate use of the school computers, its network or the Internet. The administration, faculty, and staff at Pius X High School may deny, revoke, or suspend the computer use of any individual. The school complies with the Children's Internet Protection Act.

Any violation of this acceptable use policy may result in: demerits, detention, immediate suspension of Internet privileges and/or access to Pius X computers, parental conferences, payment of damages or other more serious disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the Pius X Administration.

This policy can be found in the Pius X Student/Parent Handbook.

*I(We) have read the Acceptable Use Policy for technology at Pius X High School and agree to abide by the policy.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Student Name*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*Grade (circle):*      9      10      11      12  
*Entering*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*