



*'Encouraging
Young People
to Learn,
Experience,
Live and
Share Christ'*

Computer Agreement

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Personal computers can work to both greatly advance or greatly retard the development of Christian character. Because of their potential for misuse, **Heritage Academy** has made the following provisions for the use of personal computers. It is necessary that the student comply with the conditions listed below. Should the student fail to comply with these conditions, **Heritage Academy** reserves the right to confiscate the computer.

I, _____ (student's name) and my parent or guardian, _____, agree to all of the following provisions regarding student use of technology resources on **Heritage Academy** premises or at a school-sponsored event.

- Students are assigned computers, which are the sole property of **Heritage Academy**. Student use of technology and the Internet on **Heritage Academy** premises or at a school sponsored-event is a privilege that may be revoked at any time.
- Graduating seniors have the option to purchase their computer for its depreciated value at graduation.
- If a student defaces a computer in any way (this includes, by way of illustration and not limitation, writing on the computer, or putting stickers on the computer), the student will be fined the full value of the replacement cost of the computer, and their computer privileges may be revoked.
- All personal technology resources (this includes, by way of illustration and not limitation, ipods and computers) are disallowed on the **Heritage Academy** campus.
- **Heritage Academy** makes computers and Internet access available to students, to permit students to perform research and to allow students to learn how to use computer technology. These computers are property of **Heritage Academy**. Use of school computers is for educational and/or instructional purposes only. It is the policy of **Heritage Academy** to equip each computer with monitoring software designed to prevent users from accessing material that is harmful to minors. No student will be granted Internet access until and unless a computer-use agreement, signed by both the student and the parent or legal guardian is on file.
- Students are advised that they enjoy no expectation of privacy in any aspect of their computer use, including email, and that monitoring of student computer use is continuous. Students who misuse **Heritage Academy** computers or Internet access in any way, including using computers except as directed or assigned by staff or teachers, using computers to violate any other policy or contrary to the computer use agreement, attempting to defeat or bypass Internet filtering software, or using the computers to access or create sexually explicit or pornographic text or graphics, will face disciplinary action, as specified in the student handbook and/or computer use agreement.
- Students are responsible for all work assigned, even if the technology resource they use is being repaired.
- Students shall use **Heritage Academy** technology and the Internet in a safe, responsible, and appropriate manner.
- Students are not to use their computers after 9:30 PM.
- Students' use of the Internet will be managed and controlled through the school's firewall.
- Students are to comply with the school's Internet use policy.
- Students are not to use the computer to contact students of the opposite gender.
- Movies, games and music are not to be accessed on student computers.
- Students shall not install software onto **Heritage Academy** laptop or desktop computers.



- Students shall not interfere with, delete, or disable any **Heritage Academy**-installed program(s) or application(s) on school computers.
- Students shall not damage **Heritage Academy** technology and shall be financially responsible for any repair or replacement required, as determined by the principal or his/her designee.

“Misuse of the **Heritage Academy**’s access to the Internet” includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Sending chain letters or participating in any way in the creation or transmission of unsolicited commercial e-mail ("spam") that is unrelated to legitimate school purposes;
- Engaging in private or personal business activities, including excessive use of instant messaging, video conferencing (Skype) and chat rooms (see below);
- Misrepresenting oneself or Heritage Academy;
- Violating the laws and regulations of the United States or any other nation or any state, city, province, or other local jurisdiction in any way;
- Engaging in unlawful or malicious activities;
- Using abusive, profane, threatening, racist, sexist, or otherwise objectionable language in either public or private messages; sending, receiving, or accessing pornographic materials.
- using the Internet for other than educational purposes;
- gaining intentional access or maintaining access to materials which are “harmful to minors” as defined by Tennessee law;
- using the Internet for any illegal activity, including computer hacking and copyright or intellectual property law violations;
- making unauthorized copies of computer software;
- accessing “chat lines” unless authorized by the instructor for a class activity directly supervised by a staff member;
- using abusive or profane language in private messages on the system; sending sexually oriented pictures or video; or using the system to harass, insult, or verbally attack others;
- posting anonymous messages on the system;
- using encryption software;
- wasteful use of limited resources provided by the school including paper;
- causing congestion of the network through lengthy downloads of files;
- vandalizing data of another user;
- obtaining or sending information which could be used to make destructive devices such as guns, weapons, bombs, explosives, or fireworks;
- gaining or attempting to gain unauthorized access to resources or files;
- identifying oneself with another person’s name or password or using an account or password of another user without proper authorization;
- invading the privacy of individuals;
- divulging personally identifying information about himself/herself or anyone else either on the Internet or in an email. Personally identifying information includes full names, address, or phone number.
- using the network for financial or commercial gain without the school’s permission;
- theft or vandalism of data, equipment, or intellectual property;
- attempting to gain access or gaining access to student records, grades, or files;
- introducing a virus to, or otherwise improperly tampering with the system;
- degrading or disrupting equipment or system performance;
- creating a web page or associating a web page with the school without proper authorization;
- providing access to the **Heritage Academy**’s Internet access to unauthorized individuals;
- failing to obey school or classroom Internet use rules; or
- taking part in any activity related to Internet use which creates a clear and present danger of the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the school.

Signatures: We, the persons who have signed below, have read this agreement and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this agreement.

Student’s Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____