Atlantis Beach Baptist College

TECHNOLOGY CONDITIONS OF USE	
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POLICY CONTROL HISTORY

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24/09/2023	Principal	Adaptation policy from earlier versions

SCOPE

This policy provides guidance to students and staff for the use of computers and internet services by students provided by Atlantis Beach Baptist College. It is to be used in conjunction with the Use of Mobile Devices Policy and Student Behaviour Management Policy. This policy applies to the use of electronic notebooks, laptops, computers, printers, and other technology provided by the college.

CHILD SAFE ORGANISATION FRAMEWORK

The college adopts a Child Safe Organisation Framework where all child related policies are child focused. Although this policy addresses the use of devices, the policy is developed with the safety and wellbeing of children and young people as the primary consideration.

This policy supports the following principles:
- **Principle 4** – Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice
- **Principle 8** – Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.
- **Principle 10** – Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to increase the protection of students by reducing the impact of harm through the use of technology, to increase learning as a result of less distraction and to safeguard the college's technology systems.

PROVISION OF TECHNOLOGY

The college provides all technology resources to support the educational programmes and curriculum-based activities. Students must respect the resources provided and follow the guidelines below in relation to usage of the resources and internet service used at the college.

The following actions are not permitted:
- Sending, displaying or accessing offensive sites, messages or pictures.
- Using obscene language (including e-mail abuse).
- Harassing, insulting or attacking others (including e-mail abuse).
- Interfering with another's use of the computers
- Damaging computers or other technology provided by the College
- Interrupting computer networks (by changing settings, creating, introducing or spreading
- computer viruses, hacking, physically abusing hardware, etc.)
- Software piracy (illegal copying). The legal rights of software producers and network providers,
- and copyright and license agreements must be honoured.

- Violating copyright laws when researching materials on networked software should not be plagiarized. Any sources used in research must be cited and credit given to the author.
- Using another person's passwords/account.
- Trespassing in other people's folders, work or files.
- Intentionally wasting resources.
- Employing the network for commercial purposes or activities for/by profit institutions or organisations, product advertisement or political lobbying.
- Using a network to disrupt its use by other individuals or connecting networks.
- Disrespect of other's privacy and intellectual property.
- Transmitting any material in violation of state, federal or international regulations.
- Storing or using information on a school server that is not used for school work.

Students are also to be aware that:
- All communications and information accessible via the network should be assumed to be private property.
- Computer problems including security problems must be brought immediately to the attention of the attending teacher.
- Students may only use those Internet services to which they have been given legitimate access.
- Chart IRC and ICQ access is not provided.
- Students may not access private email without the permission of the teacher.

BREACHES OF THIS POLICY

Breaches of this policy will be managed using the Student Behaviour Management Policy