

GYMPIE State High School

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Acceptable Use Policy for Computers and Internet Access

Student

I agree to comply with the conditions of the **Acceptable Use Policy for Computers and Internet Access** at Gympie State High School as published in the Student Planner. The following points summarise the conditions.

While I am connected to Gympie State High School's fixed and/or wireless network and/or the Internet:

- I will NOT play games, unless it is directly related to my school work.
- I will NOT copy/load anything onto the school's computers or network except if required to do so as part of my school work.
- I will NOT search for anything that could be considered illegal, dangerous, offensive or objectionable. If I accidentally come across something of this nature I WILL:
 - Remove the offensive pictures/information/data from my screen, network drive, USB and any other storage locations, and
 - Immediately and quietly inform a teacher.
- I will NOT reveal anyone's home addresses, phone number, image or any other private information in an email or via any online communication, service and/or website.
- I will NOT reveal my password to anyone.
- I will NOT allow anyone else to use my computer account or email account.
- I will NOT use the internet or email to annoy, offend, bully or threaten anyone.
- I will NOT interfere with or damage any computers, printers or other network equipment and only use them for educational purposes related to my studies at school.

By signing this form I agree that I have read and understood the policy as published in the Student Planner and acknowledge that if I break any of these rules, appropriate action will be taken. This may include loss of my school network access and/or internet access.

This form MUST be signed by both the student and their parent/carer and then returned to the HOD of ICT before the student will be granted access to the school network and related resources.

Student Name: _____ **Student Signature:** _____ **Yr:** ____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Carer

I understand that computers and the school network provide access to the internet which is a useful public resource that can enhance student learning experiences. I also understand that the internet provides access to information from millions of websites that are outside the control of the school. While filtering is in place to block the vast majority of harmful content, a very small part of the information accessible to students may be illegal, dangerous or offensive. I accept that, while teachers, the school and the department will always exercise a duty of care, protection against exposure to harmful information should ultimately depend upon responsible access and use of this public resource by students.

I acknowledge, agree and give permission for my child to access carefully selected 3rd party websites that require an account to be created, such as Clickview.com.au, a site containing educational videos. Some of these sites require an account to be created that uses my child's name, year level, school email address and/or network user name. These systems may also store a portion of my child's school work. I give school staff permission to create accounts on behalf of my child, if required, and for my child to access these sites for school-related activities.

I believe _____ (student name) understands their responsibility under this policy and I hereby give my permission for him/her to access the internet accordingly. I understand that students breaking these rules will be subject to appropriate action by the school. This may include loss of internet access and or school network access for a given time of time.

Parent/Carer Name: _____ **Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____