

CYBERSAFETY AT PAKURANGA COLLEGE

CYBERSAFETY USE AGREEMENT



This document is comprised of this cover page and three sections:

Section A: Introduction

Section B: Cybersafety Rules for Secondary Students

Section C: Cybersafety Use Agreement Form.

Instructions

1. Students and parents*/caregivers/legal guardians please read and discuss all sections carefully.
2. Parents and students sign the appropriate section on the enrolment form.
3. Please keep this document for future reference.
4. If you have any questions about this agreement please contact the school.

*** The term 'parent' used throughout this document also refers to legal guardians and caregivers.**

Important terms used in this document:

- (a) The abbreviation '**ICT**' in this document refers to the term 'Information and Communication Technologies'
- (b) '**Cybersafety**' refers to the safe use of the Internet and ICT equipment/devices, including mobile phones
- (c) '**School ICT**' refers to the school's computer network, Internet access facilities, computers, and other school ICT equipment/devices as outlined in (d) below
- (d) The term '**ICT equipment/devices**' used in this document, includes but is not limited to, computers (such as desktops, laptops, PDAs), storage devices (such as USB and flash memory devices, CDs, DVDs, iPods, MP3 players), cameras (such as video, digital, webcams), all types of mobile phones and mobile devices, gaming consoles, video and audio players/receivers (such as portable CD and DVD players), and any other, similar, technologies as they come into use
- (e) '**Objectionable**' in this agreement means material that deals with matters such as sex, cruelty, or violence in such a manner that it is likely to be injurious to the good of students or incompatible with a school environment. This is intended to be inclusive of the definition used in the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993.

Additional information can be found on NetSafe's website www.netsafe.org.nz/ua

SECTION A INTRODUCTION

Our school has rigorous cybersafety practices in place, which include cybersafety use agreements for all school staff and students.

The overall goal of the school in this matter is to create and maintain a cybersafety culture which is in keeping with the values of the school, and legislative and professional obligations. This use agreement includes information about your obligations, responsibilities, and the nature of possible consequences associated with cybersafety breaches which undermine the safety of the school environment.

All students will be issued with a use agreement and once signed consent has been returned to school, students will be able to use the school ICT equipment/devices.

The school's computer network, Internet access facilities, e-mail facilities, computers and other school ICT equipment/devices are for educational purposes appropriate to the school environment. This applies whether the ICT equipment is owned or leased either partially or wholly by the school, and used on or off the school site.

SECTION B RULES TO HELP KEEP PAKURANGA COLLEGE STUDENTS CYBERSAFE

As a safe and responsible user of ICT I will help keep myself and other people safe by following these rules

1. I cannot use school ICT equipment until my parent and I have read this document and signed the appropriate section of the enrolment form and returned it to school.
2. I will log on only with my own user name. I will not allow anyone else to use my user name.
3. I will not tell anyone else my password.
4. While at school or a school-related activity, I will not have any involvement with any ICT material or activity which might put myself or anyone else at risk (e.g. bullying or harassing).
5. I understand that I must not at any time use ICT to upset, offend, harass, threaten or in any way harm anyone connected to the school or the school itself, even if it is meant as a joke. This applies both in school and out of school.
6. I understand that the rules in this use agreement also apply to mobile phones and other mobile devices, such as music players and handheld gaming consoles. I will not use my mobile phone(s) or mobile devices during the school day.
7. While at school, I will not:
 - Access, or attempt to access, inappropriate, age restricted, or objectionable material
 - Download, save or distribute such material by copying, storing, printing or showing it to other people
 - Make any attempt to get around or bypass security, monitoring and filtering that is in place at school.
9. If I accidentally access inappropriate material, I will:

1. Not show others
 2. Turn off the screen or minimise the window and
 3. Report the incident to a teacher immediately.
10. I understand that I must not download any files such as music, videos, games or programmes without the permission of a teacher. This makes sure the school complies with the Copyright Act 1994. I also understand that anyone who infringes copyright may be personally liable under this law.

11. I understand that these rules apply to any privately owned ICT equipment/device (such as a laptop, mobile phone, USB drive) I bring to school or a school-related activity. Any images or material on such equipment/devices must be appropriate to the school environment.
12. I will not connect any device (such as a USB drive, camera or phone) to, or attempt to run any software on, school ICT without a teacher's permission. This includes all wireless technologies.
13. I will ask a teacher's permission before giving out any personal information (including photos) online about myself or any other person. I will also get permission from any other person involved. Personal information includes name, address, email address, phone numbers, and photos.
14. I will respect all ICT systems in use at school and treat all ICT equipment/devices with care. This includes:
 - Not intentionally disrupting the smooth running of any school ICT systems
 - Not attempting to hack or gain unauthorised access to any system
 - Following all school cybersafety rules, and not joining in if other students choose to be irresponsible with ICT
 - Reporting any breakages/damage to a staff member.
15. I understand that the school monitors traffic and material sent and received using the school's ICT network. The school uses filtering and monitoring software to restrict access to certain sites and data, including email.
16. I understand that the school may audit its computer network, Internet access facilities, computers and other school ICT equipment/devices or commission an independent forensic audit. Auditing of the above items may include any stored content, and all aspects of their use, including email.
17. I understand that if I break these rules, the school may inform my parent(s). In serious cases the school may take disciplinary action against me. I also understand that my family may be charged for repair costs. If illegal material or activities are involved, it may be necessary for the school to inform the police.
18. I understand that inappropriate behaviour on other (non-school) ICT equipment or network equipment, that involves other school students or staff may result in disciplinary action by the college.

SECTION C

PAKURANGA COLLEGE CYBERSAFETY USE AGREEMENT FORM

To the student and parent/legal guardian/caregiver, please:

1. Read this page carefully to check that you understand your responsibilities under this agreement
2. Sign the appropriate section on the enrolment form
3. Keep the document for future reference.

We understand that Pakuranga College will:

- Do its best to keep the school cybersafe, by maintaining an effective cybersafety programme. This includes working to restrict access to inappropriate, harmful or illegal material on the Internet or school ICT equipment/devices at school or at school-related activities, and enforcing the cybersafety rules and requirements detailed in use agreements
- Keep a copy of this use agreement form on file
- Respond appropriately to any breaches of the use agreements
- Provide members of the school community with cybersafety education designed to complement and support the use agreement initiative
- Welcome enquiries from students or parents about cybersafety issues.

Section for student

My responsibilities include:

- I will read this cybersafety use agreement carefully
- I will follow the cybersafety rules and instructions whenever I use the school's ICT equipment/devices
- I will also follow the cybersafety rules whenever I use privately-owned ICT on the school site or at any school-related activity, regardless of its location
- I will avoid any involvement with material or activities which could put at risk my own safety, or the privacy, safety or security of the school or other members of the school community
- I will take proper care of school ICT equipment/devices. I know that if I have been involved in the damage, loss or theft of ICT equipment/devices, my family may have responsibility for the cost of repairs or replacement
- I will keep this document somewhere safe so I can refer to it in the future
- I will ask the relevant staff member if I am not sure about anything to do with this agreement.

Section for parent/legal guardian/caregiver

My responsibilities include:

- I will read this cybersafety use agreement carefully and discuss it with my child so we both have a clear understanding of our role in the school's work to maintain a cybersafe environment
- I will ensure the use agreement is signed by my child and by me
- I will encourage my child to follow the cybersafety rules and instructions
- I will contact the school if there is any aspect of this use agreement I would like to discuss.

Please note: This agreement for your child will remain in force as long as he/she is enrolled at this school. If it becomes necessary to add/amend any information or rule, the updated version will be available on the school website.