

Internet Acceptable Use Policy

POLICY:

Faculty, staff, students and community patrons are responsible for good behavior on College computer networks. Communications on the network are often public in nature. General College rules for behavior and communications apply.

The network is provided for faculty and students to conduct research and communicate with others. Independent access to network services is provided to faculty and students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Access is a privilege, not a right. Access entails responsibility.

Individual users of the institution's computer networks are responsible for their behavior and communications over those networks. It is presumed that users will comply with the institution's standards and will honor the agreements they have signed. Users are advised that they may encounter materials which may be considered offensive or objectionable in nature or content. Central Carolina Community College is unable to influence content on the World Wide Web and does not assume responsibility for any of these sources.

Network storage areas may be treated as public space. Network administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on the institution's servers will always be private.

APPLICATION:

All employees, students and community patrons

RULES:

The following are not permitted:

1. Sending or displaying obscene messages or pictures
2. Using obscene language
3. Harassing, insulting, or attacking others
4. Damaging computers, computer systems, or computer networks
5. Violating copyright laws
6. Using others' passwords
7. Trespassing in others' folders, work, or files
8. Intentionally wasting limited resources
9. Employing the network for commercial purposes

SANCTIONS:

1. Violations may result in a loss of access.
2. When applicable, law enforcement agencies may be involved.