

# Internet Permission Form

## 1. Permission for using the Internet

### a) Computer Internet Access

Burnside High School makes the internet available to students for use in many subject areas and in library research. However, before being allowed to access it, students must have their parent or caregiver's written permission and they, and their parent or caregiver, must agree to abide by the school rules concerning the use of Electronic Devices.

We have taken steps to make internet use as safe as possible and access is filtered by special software. We have also put in place rules for its use that discourage practices that might be harmful, inappropriate or hurtful to themselves or others.

### b) Use of Mobile Phone

Burnside High School's stance on the use of mobile phones is in line with nationally prescribed legislation banning their use by students during a school day.

## 2. Requirements for using the Internet:

- Normal school rules and standards of good behaviour apply
- Access is a privilege, not a right, and misuse is likely to lead to the loss of the privilege.
- Staff may review the contents of devices being used on the school network or at school to ensure that students are using the technology responsibly
- Students should not expect that files stored on school servers or disks will always be private

## 3. The following are not permitted:

- Accessing or attempting to access inappropriate websites
- Sending unsolicited bulk emails (spam)
- Displaying offensive messages or pictures
- Using obscene language
- Bullying, harassing, insulting or attacking others.
- Damaging computers, computer systems or networks.
- Violating Copyright laws
- Using other people's passwords and trespassing on or changing the folders, files or work of others.
- Using the device to find, create or send information that might be harmful or inappropriate.
- Posting private information about another person
- Taking photos, recording sound or videoing individuals without their prior approval.
- Publishing or sending photos, recorded sound or video to anyone else or to any online space without prior written permission from the individuals involved.

Signatures required overleaf.

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## Permission Section

As a school user of the internet, I agree to comply with the school rules on it's use.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As the parent/caregiver of this student, I grant permission for the student to use the internet. I understand that students will be held accountable for their own actions and I accept responsibility for setting standards for my child to follow when using the internet and electronic devices at school.

Parent/Caregiver Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please remove and attach to your enrolment form.**