

Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy
STUDENT INTERNET USE AGREEMENT
2020-2021 SCHOOL TERM

The Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy (d.b.a. Mt. Olivet SDA School) recognizes the value of computer and other electronic resources to improve student learning and enhance the administration and operation of its school. To this end, the Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy encourages the responsible use of computers; computer networks, including the Internet; and other electronic resources in support of the mission and goals of Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy.

Because the Internet is an unregulated, worldwide vehicle for communication, information available to student is impossible to control. Therefore, the Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy adopted this policy governing the voluntary use of electronic resources and the Internet in order to provide guidance to individuals and groups obtaining access to these resources on Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy-owned equipment or through Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy-affiliated organizations.

It is the policy of the Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy to maintain an environment that promotes ethical and responsible conduct in all online network activities by staff and students. It shall be a violation of this policy for any student to engage in any activity that does not conform to the established purpose and general rules and policies of the network. Within this general policy, the Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy recognizes its legal and ethical obligation to protect the well-being of students in its charge. To this end, the following terms and conditions apply to all students when they are using computers or Internet connections supplied by Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy.

1. Privacy & Privilege

Network and Internet access is provided as a tool to accomplish the organization's strategic goals and objectives. Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy reserves the right to monitor, inspect, copy, review, and store at any time and without prior notice any and all network and Internet use, as well as any and all materials, files, information, software, communications and other content transmitted, received, or stored in connection with this use. All such information, content and files are the property of Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy. There is no expectation of privacy regarding having any communication, information, content, or files transmitted, received or stored in connection with using the network or internet. You should have no expectation of privacy regarding them. Network administrators may review files and intercept communications for any reason, including, but not limited to, maintaining system integrity and ensuring employees are using the system in accordance with this policy. This includes text materials, video images, or sound files that may be considered objectionable. No student may use the District's access to the Internet unless the student and his/her parent or guardian have read and signed this agreement.

2. Additional Rules

Rules and regulations of system usage will be added and posted from time to time by the faculty/administrators of the district and/or the network. Users of computers/Internet are subject to these additional rules and regulations.

3. Term of Permitted Use

Network and Internet access extends through the term of the school year, provided you do not violate Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy's computer network and internet use policy.

4. Acceptable Use

The student agrees that he/she will use the District's Internet access for educational purposes only. In using the Internet, the student agrees to obey all federal and state laws and regulations. The student also agrees to abide by any Internet use rules instituted at the student's school or class, whether those rules are written or oral.

5. Penalties for Noncompliance

Your use of the computer network and the Internet is a privilege, not a right. Violation of this policy, at minimum, will cause access to the network and the Internet to be terminated, perhaps for the duration of your tenure with Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy. Policy breaches include violating any of the provisions presented herein and failing to report violations by other users. Permitting another person to use your account or password to access the network or the internet including, but not limited to, someone whose access has been denied or terminated- is a violation of policy. Should another user violate this policy while using your account, you will be held responsible and both of you will be subject to disciplinary action. Violations of Internet Usage may lead to Civil or Criminal penalties. Criminal violations may lead to criminal prosecution to the fullest extent of the law.

Any student violating the provision set herein shall be subject to disciplinary action including expulsion. The Suspension policy is as follows:

First Offense: a two-week suspension of Internet usage

Second Offense: a one-month suspension of Internet usage

Third Offense: complete suspension of Internet usage and school-owned devices returned without refund

(Note: Possible further action can be taken by the School Board after the 3rd Offense.)

6. Misuse of Access

- I. Using the Internet for reasons other than educational purposes;
- II. Gaining intentional access or maintaining access to materials which are "harmful to minors" as defined by Florida law;
- III. Using the Internet for any illegal activity, including but not limited to computer hacking and copyright or intellectual property law violations;
- IV. Making unauthorized copies of computer software;
- V. Accessing "Social media" unless authorized by the instructor for a class activity directly supervised by a staff member;
- VI. Using abusive or profane language in private messages on the system, or using the system to harass, insult or verbally attack others or any activity that amounts to sexting; cyberstalking; or cyberbullying as defined by Florida Statutes;
- VII. Posting anonymous messages on the system;
- VIII. Using encryption software; or accessing sites designed to bypass restrictions
- IX. Wasting the limited resources provided by the school, including paper (excessive printing);
- X. Causing congestion of the network through lengthy downloads of files;
- XI. Vandalizing data of another user;
- XII. Obtaining or sending information which could be used to make destructive devices such as guns, weapons, bombs, explosives or fireworks;
- XIII. Gaining or attempting to gain unauthorized access to resources or files;
- XIV. Identifying oneself with another person's name or password or using an account or password of another user without proper authorization;
- XV. Invading the privacy of individuals;
- XVI. Divulging personally identifying information about himself/herself or anyone else either on the Internet or in an e-mail. Personally identifying information includes full names, address, and phone number;
- XVII. Using the network for financial or commercial gain without School permission;
- XVIII. Stealing or vandalizing of data, equipment, or intellectual property;
- XIX. Attempting to gain access or gaining access to student records, grades, or files;
- XX. Introducing a virus to, or otherwise improperly tampering with the system;
- XXI. Degrading or disrupting equipment or system performance;
- XXII. Creating a web page or associating a web page with the school or District without proper authorization;
- XXIII. Providing access to the District's Internet Access to unauthorized individuals;
- XXIV. Utilizing a staff or teacher's computer to access the Internet without permission;
- XXV. Failing to obey school or classroom Internet use rules; or
- XXVI. Taking part in any activity related to Internet use, which creates a clear and present danger of the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the School.

7. Liability for Debts

Students and their cosigners shall be liable for any and all costs (debts) incurred through the student's use of the computers or the Internet including penalties for copyright violations.

8. Disclaimer

Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy cannot be held liable for the information that is retrieved via the network. Pursuant to the Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986 (18 USC 2510 et seq.) notice is hereby given that there are no facilities provided by this system for sending or receiving private or confidential electronic communications. System administrators have access to all mail and will monitor messages. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities will be reported to the appropriate authorities. Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy will not be responsible for any damages you may suffer, including loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by your own negligence or your errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained is at your own risk. Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy makes no warranties (expressed or implied) with respect to the content of any advice or information received by a user or any costs or charges incurred as a result of seeing or accepting any information and any costs, liability or damages caused by the way the user chooses to use his or her access to the network. Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy reserves the right to change its policies and rules at anytime.

9. Student User Agreement

I have read the Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy computer and Internet usage agreement, I understand it, and agree to adhere to the principles and procedures listed within. I also understand that additional rules and regulations may be added from time to time, and that they become part of this agreement. Should the agreement be breached, I understand that it may result in loss or suspension of Internet and computer usage. I also understand that inappropriate or illegal use of computer equipment and Internet could result in civil and criminal penalties. Parents/guardians may be held accountable for inappropriate use of the student.

Student #1 Signature: _____ Grade: _____ Date _____

Student #2 Signature: _____ Grade: _____ Date _____

Student #3 Signature: _____ Grade: _____ Date _____

10. Parent Agreement

As parent or legal guardian of _____ (Student #1), _____

(Student #2), and _____ (Student #3) I have read this Policy. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy has taken reasonable steps to control access to the Internet, but cannot guarantee that all controversial information will be inaccessible to student users. I agree that I will not hold Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy (dba Mt. Olivet SDA School) responsible for any materials acquired on the network. Further by signing below, I hereby give permission for my child to use network resources, including the Internet that is available through Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy. If I do not sign this agreement, I understand that my child(ren) will not be provided Internet access by Mt. Olivet SDA Junior Academy, and my child(ren) will not be allowed to use any school-owned equipment that has Internet access or capability.

Parent/Legal Guardian Full Name (PRINT): _____
First Last

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Full Name (PRINT): _____
First Last

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

Witnessed By: _____ Date: _____
Print Signature

I DO NOT want my child(ren) to have Internet access at school. I understand that if I do not sign this agreement, and choose to select "I do not want my child(ren) to have Internet access at school, my child(ren) will not be allowed to use any school-owned equipment that has Internet access while on campus.