Internet and Technology Safety Policy Agreement Form

Our school has computers in every classroom, in the library, and in our computer labs. All of the computers are connected to the Internet. We are aware that there are things on the Internet that are neither useful nor appropriate for children. Because of that, an adult will always monitor students during computer use.

The Internet contains a wealth of educational information for students. More and more educational resources (encyclopedias, reference tools, magazine and newspaper databases, and educational software) are Internet based. We hope to teach our students critical information skills including how to make good judgments regarding the wealth of information that is available. Please read the *Internet and Technology Safety Policy for Students* which governs the use of the computers and the Internet at ALCS. A parent or guardian signature is required before students will be allowed to independently use the computers for Internet access.

INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY SAFETY POLICY FOR STUDENTS

Internet access will be provided for students for the purpose of instructing, accessing information, conducting research, and communicating with others as part of a specific curriculum. Remember: communication on the Internet is often very public in nature. Students are responsible for good behavior in the use of computers and the Internet just as they are in a classroom or on school property. Student access to the internet will be provided only to students who have agreed to act in a considerate and responsible manner by signing this form and by having his/her/their parent(s) or guardian(s) sign this agreement form.

Internet access requires responsibility on the part of students and staff. The students must be under on-site supervision when they are on the Internet in school. On-site supervision means the staff member responsible of the student(s) is physically present in the room in which the network is being accessed or utilized by the student(s). Students must have a specific information objective and search strategies in mind before they will be allowed to use the Internet resources.

Abundant Life Christian School reserves the right to monitor and access all student Internet and technology activities and communications as well as inspect any data residing on school equipment and networks.

Guidelines for the Use of Technology by Students and Staff

A. Acceptable Uses
1. The use of technology in school is a privilege, not a right. Appropriate etiquette is expected and required by all users (students and staff).
2. Users are permitted to use the school's technology resources for the purpose of instruction, accessing information, conducting research, lesson preparation, communication, and/or other information gathering and sharing as it related to education.

B. Limitations
1. Users are not permitted to load software on networked computers. All software is to be loaded by technicians.
2. Users should not expect that files and other information stored on the school's technology systems will be private.

3. Users are not permitted to access any part of the operating system of a given computer or computer network.
4. Users are not to delete, add or alter any data other than their own.
5. Users are not to deliberately destroy or diminish the value or effectiveness of any technology system. This includes but is not limited to vandalism, creating or uploading viruses, and the careless use of food and drink.
6. Users are prohibited to load personal software.
7. Users are prohibited from trespassing in others' files.
8. Users are prohibited from violating copyright laws.
9. Users are prohibited from sending or displaying offensive messages or pictures. Cyberbullying is prohibited.
10. Users may not access social media; Facebook and YouTube are blocked on school computers.
11. Users are prohibited from copying or using someone else's work without their permission.
12. Users are prohibited from using the school's network to access or download music for personal use.

C. **Consequences**
Students who commit any of the above listed acts of misconduct will be disciplined in one or more of the following ways:

- The student's parents will be contacted
- The student will be given limited access to school's computers
- The student will be denied access to school's computers
- The student will be required to pay for all property damage
- In the event that a student has engaged in criminal activities, the proper authorities will be notified.

This agreement is binding unless and until it is revoked in writing, by the undersigned, with a copy served to ALCS, 4901 E. Buckeye Rd, Madison, WI 53716, for as long as a student is enrolled with Abundant Life Christian School.

PARENT SIGNATURE REQUIRED
I/we have read and understand the *ALCS internet and Technology Safety Policy and Release Form*. I/we have also discussed this policy with my child(ren) and agree to abide by the policy.

Parent (Guardian) Signature _____ Date _____

Parent (Guardian) Signature _____ Date _____

STUDENT COMMITTMENT (required grades 3-12):
I agree that I am willing to abide by the rules and policies outlined above for the use of the school's computer and technology systems and use of the Internet.

Student #1 Signature_____Student #2 Signature _____

Student #3 Signature_____ Student #4 Signature _____