

Stars College High School- Internet and Technology Use Policy

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1. Introduction

Stars College is committed to utilizing the internet and technology effectively and securely to enhance the educational process. This policy aims to create an innovative and stimulating digital environment while ensuring safe and responsible use of technology and internet resources, in line with global quality standards and international educational benchmarks.

2. Objectives

- Promote Digital Learning: Leverage the internet and technology tools to support learning and foster students' digital skills.
- Ensure Digital Security: Implement strict security protocols to protect students and staff from online risks.
- Foster Digital Responsibility: Cultivate awareness among students and teachers regarding responsible and ethical internet usage.
- Develop Technical Competencies: Equip students and educators with advanced technological skills for modern education.

3. Core Principles

- Academic Use Only: All digital tools and internet access should serve educational and research purposes.
- Data Privacy & Security: Protect personal data and ensure confidentiality, preventing unauthorized access to information.
- Usage Monitoring: Establish systems to monitor online activities to align with educational goals and institutional policies.

4. Procedures

4.1 Internet Use Within the School

- Internet Access: Students must use the school's secure network, which includes filters to block inappropriate content.
- Academic Research: Encourage noble utilization of online resources for credible scientific references and school projects.
- Unauthorized Activities: Prohibit recreational internet usage such as gaming or non-educational browsing during school hours.

4.2 Data & Information Security

- Personal Data Protection: All students and teachers must maintain confidentiality of personal information and refrain from sharing passwords or sensitive data.
- Encryption & Security Measures: Employ encryption technologies and high-security standards to safeguard sensitive data and ensure network integrity.
- Anti-malware & Virus Protection: Install and regularly update anti-virus and anti-malware programs on all school devices.

4.3 Ethical Internet Usage

- Respect & Fairness: Usage must be respectful, avoiding cyberbullying, harassment, or sharing inappropriate content.
- Digital Responsibility: Educate staff and students on responsible behavior, including awareness of scams, online safety, and cybersecurity threats.
- Incident Reporting: Encourage reporting of any violations or misuse of internet resources.

4.4 Technology in Classrooms

- Mobile & Digital Devices: Students may use laptops or tablets solely for educational purposes, with restrictions during lessons on non-educational activities.

- Digital Interaction: Promote the use of technology to enhance classroom engagement and facilitate online collaborative projects.
- Cooperative Learning: Provide tools supporting teamwork and shared online platforms for collaborative assignments.

4.5 Training & Awareness

- Teacher Training: Conduct workshops and professional development courses focused on smart and secure technology integration.
- Student Awareness: Offer programs to raise awareness about safe internet practices and digital citizenship.
- Parental Guidance: Share information with parents to help them supervise and secure their children's online activities at home.

5. Responsibilities

5.1 School Management

- Monitoring & Supervision: Regularly oversee online activities to ensure compliance with policies.
- Infrastructure Development: Maintain secure, robust, and up-to-date digital infrastructure to support digital learning initiatives.

5.2 Educators

- Supervision: Ensure proper use of digital tools and monitor online activities in classrooms.
- Digital Skills Training: Support students in developing effective and safe technological habits for academic success.

5.3 Students

- Responsible Use: Adhere to the guidelines for using internet and devices responsibly.
- Personal Data Security: Avoid sharing personal information or passwords and practice cyber safety at all times.

6. Review & Development

- Policy Evaluation: Conduct periodic reviews and assessments through surveys to measure effectiveness and areas for improvement.
- Technological Updates: Stay aligned with the latest developments in educational technology by regularly upgrading infrastructure.

7. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- Utilization Rate: Measure how effectively digital tools are integrated into teaching and learning processes.
- Security Incidents: Track the number and severity of security breaches or cyber threats.
- Satisfaction Levels: Get feedback from students and teachers regarding their experience with digital tools and safety.

8. Conclusion

Stars College's Internet and Technology Use Policy aim to balance innovation with security, ensuring a safe, responsible, and effective digital learning environment that adheres to international academic standards. Our goal is to foster digital literacy, safeguard our community, and support excellence in education through responsible technology integration.

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