

STUDENT CYBERSAFE - INTERNET CONDITIONS

Internet access at Rotorua Girls' High School is provided for students and is accessible by all faculties. It is to be used solely for authorized research, information gathering and extension remedial work. The use of the internet will always be under the supervision of a staff member.

Students will forfeit that privilege for an indefinite period of time if any activity that is not authorized or deemed inappropriate is detected or reported by the supervising teacher.

All internet and email activity is monitored and logged automatically by computer software. These logs can by request be accessed and recorded by the network manager to be viewed by staff... Furthermore teachers have the authority to remove students from internet access if any of the following conditions are breached.

- 1) **Personal Information:** Under no circumstances are students to give out personal details to fellow students. Student usernames and passwords are to remain the sole responsibility of the student, also when students access the internet from the school network. Because of student safety reasons there are no guarantees that people are who they say they are unless you know them personally.
- 2) **Chat/ Voip/ Social Networking Sites:** Internet Chat, Voip (Audio/Video chat) or use of web based chat and or social networking sites and services are disallowed on the school network because of its possible security risk and potential risk to students which follows the previous condition.
- 3) **Digital Media:** this covers a broad spectrum of digital devices which Include: Student personal laptop computers, digital cameras, mobile phones, Mp3 players, USB storage devices, and homemade CD's. The unauthorized sharing, downloading or storing of digital music, photographic images (Images not approved by staff or are questionable in nature) or movies is strictly prohibited on the RGHS school computer network. Music and video data which are not originally owned by the school can not in any way be stored on the schools computer network. This is highly illegal and in breach of copyright. Storage of data in this manner is more personal than educational.

Students found disregarding this warning will find their music or video clips systematically deleted from the computer system by the network manager since network data storage is limited.

- 4) **E-mail:** Student Email service is provided on the condition that it is strictly used for educational purposes. The previous conditions for personal information and digital media also apply. Rotorua Girls' High School student email may not be used to send mail that is defamatory or malicious in nature and results in the unnecessary distress of another student or students. Text bullying is considered as inappropriate behaviour and will be treated seriously.
- 5) **Internet sites:** All previous conditions apply. Furthermore, any internet site not of educational value or that is deemed inappropriate by teachers will be reported to and blocked by the network manager. This means that web access to the site in question will be restricted from the school network.

Please remember the schools computers with their internet access are a valuable tool and are yours to use in an educational capacity. ***It is a privilege, please don't abuse it. Abuse of this service will result in the denial of access to the service.***