



ICT Acceptable Use Policy

Rationale

In order to enhance student learning, Thornbury High School is committed to the provision and use of appropriate digital technologies throughout the school. Digital devices can be used in a wide range of subjects to allow students to further develop their understanding of topics.

In addition to having to comply with the ICT Acceptable Use Policy, all users will have to comply with the Acceptable Use Policy for DEECD Information, Communications and Technology (ICT) Resources. The Policy is available at <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/aup>

Definition of Digital Technologies

This agreement applies to digital technologies and social media tools including (although not limited to): school owned ICT devices (e.g. desktops, laptops, iPads, printers, scanners), mobile phones, bring your own devices (BYOD's) including chrome books and iPads, email, social networking sites (e.g. Facebook), blogs, micro-blogs (e.g. Twitter), Google Apps for Education, video and photo sharing websites (YouTube) and cameras.

Student Declaration

When using digital technologies, I agree to be a safe, responsible and ethical user at all times by:

- using ICT at the school for educational use only.
- protecting my privacy rights and those of other students by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone number, addresses and images.
- not bringing, storing, transferring, or displaying offensive or inappropriate material at school or on school provided services.
- handling school owned ICT devices with care and notifying a teacher if it is damaged or requires attention.
- not interfering with network systems and security, the data of another user or attempting to log into the network with a user name or password of another student.
- not bringing to school or downloading unauthorised programs, including games.
- not using ICT to bully, defame, harass, spam or discredit any member of the School community or the broader community.
- not using cameras or personal devices to take photos or videos without express permission of a staff member.

This ICT Acceptable Use Policy applies when a student is using any of the above digital technologies at school, at home, during school excursions, camps and extra-curricular activities.

This Agreement will remain in effect for the duration of the student's enrolment at Thornbury High School.

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