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LUMIN Schools Acceptable Use Policy:

PREAMBLE:

The use of computers during the LUMIN Schools school day is an integral part of education. However, the use of computers is also a privilege, not a right, and **inappropriate use will result in a cancellation of those privileges** and, potentially other disciplinary action. Students will be held responsible for their actions and activity while using computers at school.

SCHOOL COMPUTER GUIDELINES:

1. Technology should be used in a way which will treat other people in a God-pleasing manner. Therefore, the sending of harassing or degrading messages, using files and E-mail to bear false witness or spread rumors about someone, or posting anonymous messages or personal communications without the original author's consent is prohibited. Any use of the computer which demeans another person, whether they are other students, teachers, staff, or parents, in a manner that is contrary to God's Word, will not be tolerated.
2. Do not interfere with the work of another student or a teacher. Students may not degrade or disrupt the normal function of hardware or software so that the performance of these items is damaged. Neither may students use technology in such a way that it is disruptive or harmful to the teacher, students, and classroom environment. Similarly, any student who uses a computer in a manner that is outside the parameters established by the teacher is subject to disciplinary action.
3. The privacy of other people, whether they are fellow students or teachers, is to be respected. Students may not intentionally access the messages, files, or work of another student or teacher, nor alter any of these in any way.
4. Students using technology are expected to uphold the 7th commandment. It is illegal to violate copyright laws. Copying of program files (as opposed to personal word processing files, or other student work) is prohibited.
5. Students are to use computers only as instructed by their instructor. Students may not attempt to gain any unauthorized access to resources, programs, or on-line sites. Students are expected to maintain computer settings. These settings (such as the background, icons, screen savers, etc.) may not be altered without permission of the instructor.
6. Students may not use the technology at school for their own financial or commercial gain.
7. Students are expected to adhere to all of these guidelines concerning Internet use:
 - a. Personal information of any kind about themselves or another person (students, teachers, parents, etc...) may not be transmitted. This includes home telephone numbers and addresses as well as information regarding the

location of any student at any given time.

b. Students may not use any Internet feature without direct supervision. Direct supervision means that the instructor (or other qualified individual) is present and is actively monitoring the work of the student.

c. Students are expected to maintain a Christ-like demeanor at all times. Therefore, no text, image, movie, or sound that contains obscene material or language that offends or degrades others will be allowed.

8. Any misuse or damage of software or hardware in the computer lab that incurs will be financially assessed to the student and parent.

9. Student images may be used in classroom projects, publicity, and web sites.

Computer technology is a gift from God to His people. LUMIN Schools are committed to empowering our students to use this gift in a way that is in keeping with our Christian faith. We pray that God will bless our efforts to enhance our students' educational experience through technology.