

GLENDALE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Student Code of Conduct for Internet Usage

1. GAA Internet services must be a free and open forum for expression. Any statement of personal belief in email or other posted material is understood to be the author's individual viewpoint, and not that of the school. However, since GAA's Internet access is provided as an instructional tool rather than a personal forum, and since the school is a Christian school, it is expected that users will uphold Christian standards of honesty, integrity and ethics, and not use the access to demean, defame, or denigrate others for race, religion, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, handicap, gender or other reasons.
2. Access to the Internet from GAA and the receipt of a personal account are privileges, not rights. Access is free to actively enrolled students and to active school employees who have completed the school Internet Consent & Waiver form.
3. Acceptable uses of the Internet include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Conducting research
 - b. Communicating with other Internet users
 - c. Exploring other computer systems
 - d. Posting information for access by others
 - e. Creating and maintaining web sites only under class or faculty supervision.
 - f. Posting student information ONLY WITH TEACHER AND PARENT PERMISSION, when this is necessary to receive information for instructional purposes.
4. Unacceptable uses of the Internet whether at school or elsewhere include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Violating any state and/or federal law (i.e. copyright laws).
 - b. Violating the California Education Code, Union Educational Code or school policy.
 - c. Violating GAA school policies.
 - d. Using profanity, obscenity, or other language that may be offensive to other users.
 - e. Making personal attacks on other people, organizations, religions, or ethnicities.
 - f. Harassing another person (i.e., using the Internet in a manner that bothers another person and not stopping when asked to do so by the other person).
 - g. Sending or posting false or defamatory information about a person, group or organization which might injure the reputation of that person, group or organization.
 - h. Not respecting the privacy of a person by posting personal contact information such as, work or home address, telephone, email address, photographs, or names, without obtaining prior permission from the person affected.
 - i. Forwarding personal communication without the author's prior consent and/or interfering with other electronic communications.
 - j. Using text, graphics, sound or animation in messages or the creation of WEB pages without displaying a notice, crediting the original producer of the material, and stating how permission to use the material was obtained.
 - k. Utilizing the school's network/computers for (1) external, off-campus web page creation, posting or hosting without approval of school administration, and/or (2) accessing or retrieving email from personal off-campus accounts.
 - l. Using the network for financial gain, for commercial activity, or for any illegal activity
 - m. Using the resources of GAA's network or Internet connection, to attempt unauthorized access to any other computer system, or to go beyond the user's authorized access on the school network.
 - n. Using the Internet for political and/or religious lobbying.
 - o. Using GAA's Internet access to get an email account or Web page hosting privileges on another service provider. Since other service providers may allow access to news groups, etc. that may be inappropriate for a school environment, the school cannot support such access.
 - p. Unauthorized copying/downloading of information/programs (games, demos, etc.) from the Internet or other members of the Network (students and teachers)
 - q. Publishing any images or information about the school, its students, faculty or staff without permission of school administration is a violation of school policy.

NOTE: Any violation of the rules and regulations stated in this Code of Conduct will result in school disciplinary action including, but not limited to, possible loss of school Internet/Network privileges.