Mother Lode Christian School

Internet Permission Slip

The Internet has revolutionized world communications and we feel it is our responsibility to present this broadcasting system to our students in a Godly manner. It is essential that our students are aware of its potential and Biblical principles that pertain to its use. It is a tool which will allow our students access to, under the direction of and in the presence of a MLCS teacher, thousands of libraries, databases, museums, colleges & universities, news, NASA, research institutions and other repositories of information. Research is a very important tool at MLCS and we encourage each student to obtain information form the library, encyclopedias, textbooks and the internet. It is unacceptable for a student to visit one web site, download the information and use this solely as their research. There is nothing educational about pressing the print key. It is our goal in providing this service to promote educational excellence by facilitating resources sharing, innovation and communication. While the purpose of providing this access is to use internet services for educational goals, students *may* find ways to access other materials, some of which may not be Christian in nature. We have compiled a set of guidelines and rules for internet use, as well as consequences for the misuse of MLCS computers.

Students will be permitted admittance to sites *selected* by their instructor.
Students will be permitted to access sites *bookmarked* by the teacher.
At NO time will they be permitted to type in a URL address.
We primarily use Yahooligans, a children's website designed for students at the elementary school level.

No *games* of any kind will be permitted on MLCS computers. MLCS computers are used solely for educational purposes.

Ultimately, parents and guardians of Mother Lode Christian students are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using media and information sources. While the use of the Internet will be supervised by a teacher at all times, students must agree to use the system responsibly.

*Students are not to enter, access, participate in or read from chat rooms, Facebook or message boards.
*Students are not allowed to download freeware, shareware or any other programs without the express permission of the MLCS staff person in charge of the computer lab/classroom computers.
*Students shall not access radio broadcasting or streaming music files and shall not play music or music CDs, DVDs or other recorded music on computer lab/classroom equipment or in the computer lab.
*Students shall not access or enter personal web pages or sites which promote personal web page development (Such as Instagram, You Tube or Facebook ….etc).

Accessing any material on the Internet that would conflict with the Biblical standards and philosophy of Mother Lode Christian School would be considered a violation of Internet usage. The use of Mother Lode Christian School's computer system and Internet access is a privilege, not a right. Consequences for violating the use of MLCS computers and the Internet may result in:

a. Loss of MLCS Internet privileges for a period of time to be determined by the principal.
b. Parent and student conferences with the administration and Board.
c. Suspension /expulsion from school.

My child may use the Internet while at Mother Lode Christian School
Please sign this permission slip and return to you teacher.

Yes _____   No_____

Parent Name (Print) _____   Signature_____

Student Name (Print) _____   Signature_____

Date _____   Grade_____   Teacher _____