

# Acceptable Use Policy for Internet and Technology

NOCCA believes that the internet is vital for artistic growth. The primary purpose of technology and internet access through NOCCA is for educational use and to enhance the curriculum. However, it is essential that both students and parents understand the potential for misuse and the expectations when using NOCCA technology resources.

Unacceptable use of technology resources and/or the internet is a clear violation of the Enrollment Contract and could result in suspension of on-campus technology privileges and Disciplinary Action(s), including expulsion.

Unacceptable uses of NOCCA technology resources include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Any activity that disrupts instruction.
2. Any activity that disrupts technology use for the campus community.
3. Violating any NOCCA Policy/Community Standard, including the NOCCA Bullying/Cyberbullying Policy.
4. Using profanity, obscenity, hate speech, or any other offensive language or images.
5. Violating the rights to privacy of students, faculty, staff, or other campus visitors.
6. Unauthorized accessing of data or files, including using someone else's password or account.
7. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic/artistic dishonesty.
8. Copyright violations, including illegally copied creative works or pirated software.
9. Using any chat medium or other unauthorized instant messaging sites or software.
10. Use of social media.
11. Games, non-approved media (including videos not part of classwork) and non-essential sites.
12. Attempting to circumvent the NOCCA content filter. (Note: All unblock requests for bona fide sites must be made in writing via a support ticket from a student's teacher.)

Students have no expectation of privacy when using NOCCA technology resources. NOCCA reserves the right to audit, view and filter any content as it pertains to the safety and security of the students.

Students must use their own media (flash/external drives, cloud storage, discs, etc.) to store their important data, as NOCCA computers may be wiped and reimaged at any time. NOCCA provides all students with Google Drive accounts for the duration of their enrollment.

The specific technology services offered by NOCCA are subject to change. NOCCA makes no warranties with respect to the quality or presence of network or technology services and resources, and specifically assumes no responsibility for:

1. The accuracy of information on the internet. The internet contains material that is variously illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, offensive, and wrong.
2. The content of any advice or information received from a source outside NOCCA, or any costs associated with seeking or accepting such advice.
3. Any costs, liabilities, or damages resulting from a student's use of NOCCA technology resources.
4. Any consequences of service interruptions or changes, even if these disruptions arise from circumstances under the control of NOCCA.