

HVHS Digital Citizenship Agreement

This Acceptable Use Agreement has six conditions or facets of being a Digital Citizen.

- 1. Respect Myself.** I will show respect for myself through my actions.
I will select online names that are appropriate.
I will consider the information and images that I search or post online. (If you wouldn't feel comfortable showing the website to your parents or grandparents, then it is inappropriate.)
I will consider what personal information about my life, experiences, experimentation or relationships I post. (Only inviting people you actually know in the real world to be your friends in the online world.)
I will not be obscene.
- 2. Protect Myself.** I will ensure that the information, images and materials I post online will not put me at risk.
I will not publish my personal details, contact details or a schedule of my activities. (Setting your privacy settings so that only the people you know can see you and your personal information).
I will report any attacks or inappropriate behaviour directed at me and I will seek support from appropriate people or organizations.
I will protect passwords, accounts and resources.
- 3. Respect Others.** I will show respect to others.
I will not get involved in electronic conversations (text messaging, online comments) that are unkind, mean or of a harassing or bullying nature.
I will show respect for other people in my choice of websites.
I will not visit sites that are degrading, pornographic, racist or inappropriate.
I will not abuse my rights of access and I will not enter other people's private spaces or areas.
- 4. Protect Others.** I will protect others by reporting abuse, not forwarding inappropriate materials or communications; and not visiting sites that are degrading, pornographic, racist or inappropriate.
I will moderate unacceptable materials and conversations, reporting conversations that are inappropriate or unacceptable.
- 5. Respect Property.** I will request permission to use resources.
I will suitably cite any and all use of websites, books, media etc.
I will acknowledge all primary and secondary sources.
I will validate information.
- 6. Protect Property.** I will request to use the software and media others produce.
I will use free and open source alternatives rather than pirating software.
I will purchase, license and register all software.
I will not steal other people's property. I will purchase my music and media, and refrain from distributing these in a manner that violates their licenses.
I will report vandalism and damage
I will act with integrity.

By signing this Digital Citizenship Agreement, I undertake to:

- always act in a manner that is respectful to myself and others
- and to act appropriately in a moral and ethical manner.

I agree to six conditions of the agreement:

Respect Myself, Protect Myself, Respect Others, Protect Others, Respect Property, Protect Property

Signed:

Name:

Date: