

ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS POLICY

ACCEPTABLE USE:

- Students are allowed to use online communications (ichat, e-mail, instant messaging, etc.) during the school day only if they have been given permission along with specific instructions by faculty or staff.
- Students must use their first and last name for their screen name.
- The only photo to be displayed is a photo of the students face.
- Students' communication status must be "Available" or "Away".

CONSEQUENCES:

FIRST OFFENSE:

Any student using any online communication tool (ichat, e-mail, instant messaging, etc.) inappropriately (without faculty/staff permission, references to sex, drugs, alcohol, the occult, gang involvement/activity, bullying, cheating, improper language, etc.) will receive one citation along with a phone call home to parent/guardian by the Dean. Technology Department will take laptop and do a thorough search of all items on the machine.

SECOND OFFENSE:

Any student using any online communication tool (ichat, e-mail, instant messaging, etc.) inappropriately (without faculty/staff permission, references to sex, drugs, alcohol, the occult, gang involvement/activity, bullying, cheating, improper language, etc.) the second time will receive two citations along with the scheduling of Disciplinary Conference with student, parents/guardian, Assistant Principal and Dean. Student will be placed on some level of probation and will not be allowed to take laptop home during that probation period. Student must drop off laptop in the Dean's office every day after school and pick it up from the Dean the beginning of each day during probation period. Technology Department will periodically check laptop and do a thorough search of all items on the machine throughout probation period.

THIRD OFFENSE:

Any student using any online communication tool (ichat, e-mail, instant messaging, etc.) inappropriately (without faculty/staff permission, references to sex, drugs, alcohol, the occult, gang involvement/activity, bullying, cheating, improper language, etc.) the third time will receive two citations along with the scheduling of a Board Hearing to determine whether or not student will remain at Central Catholic High School. If student remains at Central Catholic, the use of any online communication tools will be denied, ichat will be removed from laptop and student must drop off laptop in the Dean's office every day after school and pick it up from the Dean the beginning of each day (student may no longer take laptop home). Student will also be placed on a Final Contract.

*The Administration reserves the right to adjust the consequences listed above in accordance with the severity of the offense.