

**DENMARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE
STATEMENT OF POLICY**



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POLICY TITLE: Acceptable Student Use Policy for Computer Labs, Network Services and the Internet

LEGAL AUTHORITY:

DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY: Institutional Research and Planning

NEW POLICY	REVISED POLICY	DATE APPROVED BY COMMISSION
	x	Fall 1999

PRESIDENT	DATE	CHAIRPERSON	DATE

POLICY STATEMENT:

General Principles

Computers are available for student use in the computer lab and in the Learning Resources Center. Student users are subject to the standard of Acceptable Use that are contained in this policy:

1. Access to computer systems and networks owned or operated by the State of South Carolina necessitates the following principles governed by policies and laws aforeto referred.
2. Acceptable use always is ethical, reflects honesty, and shows restraint in the consumption of shared resources. It demonstrates respect for intellectual property, ownership of information, system security mechanisms, and the individual's rights to privacy and freedom from intimidation, harassment, and unwarranted annoyance.
3. Users who do not comply with this policy may be subject to limitations on their use of the networks as determined by the appropriate supervising authority.
4. Users of the network services provided by the State of South Carolina, the State Technical College System and Denmark Technical College may be subject to monitoring for security and/or network management reasons. Users of these services are therefore advised of this potential monitoring by all three entities and agree to this practice.
5. Users who violate any copyright declarations are acting outside the course and scope the authority governing the Acceptable Use Policy. The State of South Carolina, the State Technical College System and Denmark Technical College are therefore relieved of any

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legal responsibilities. Users will be held personally responsible and liable for such infringing activities.

6. By participating in the use of networks and systems provided by the state, users agree to be subject to and abide by this policy for their use. Willful violations of the principles and provisions of this policy may result in legal action of the authoritative boards.

7. This document may be updated on an as-needed basis and is subject to annual review.

Specific Provisions

Student Users Shall:

1. Use the computer terminals primarily for academic purposes and classroom assignments. Users may access only files that are in keeping with the policies and laws of the governing bodies heretofore mentioned.
2. Refrain from monopolizing systems, overloading networks with excessive data or computer time, connect time, disk space, printer paper, manuals or other resources.
3. Assume responsibility for any changes associated with billable services unless appropriate authorization has been obtained.

Student Users Shall Not:

1. Use the network for illegal or unlawful, or immoral purposes or to support or assist such purposes. Examples of this would be the transmission of violent, threatening, defrauding, obscene or otherwise illegal or unlawful materials.
2. Use mail or messaging services to harass, intimidate or otherwise annoy another person.
3. Use the networks for private, recreational, non-public purposes including the conduct of personal commercial transactions
4. Use the networks for commercial or partisan political purposes.
5. Use the network to disrupt network users, services or equipment. Disruptions include, but are not limited to, distribution of unsolicited advertising, propagation of computer "worms" and viruses, and sustained high volumes network traffic which substantially hinders others in their use of the networks.
6. Make or use illegal copies of copyrighted software or other mediums, store such copies on state systems, or transmit them over state networks.
7. Use the computers to play games, enter chat rooms or download information to the PC.
8. Users may not manipulate any files on the Windows Desktop or configure/change any settings.

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Violators of this policy may forfeit their access to computers on campus. All student users of Denmark Technical College electronic resources will be required to sign a copy of their policy acknowledge their understanding of the policy and agreeing to abide by it.