

Ten Commandments of Computer Ethics

1. I will use a computer in ways that show consideration and respect.
2. I will not use computer technology to harm/hurt other people including the use of abusive or otherwise objectionable language in either public or private messages.
3. I will not open other people's files.
4. I will not use a computer to steal.
5. I will not use a computer to bear false witness (lie about someone).
6. I will not use or copy software for which I have not paid.
7. I will not use other people's computer resources without permission.
8. I will not plagiarize other people's work. (present their work as if it were my own)
9. I will not use the Internet to try to obtain material deemed objectionable by parental standards and Brookwood's standards or material that is illegal for a minor to obtain. This includes, but is not limited to, sexually explicit material, explosive materials, and hacker sites (sites that provide information how to break into, steal, and/or harm computers, cell phones, or software)
10. I will not use computer technology to violate the Brookwood School's Code of Ethics.

“The use of (name of your school) computers and computer network is a privilege, not a right, which may be revoked at any time for abusive conduct. Violating the Acceptable Use Policy may result in restrictions upon or loss of computer privileges, disciplinary or legal action.”

The above two items (Ten Commandments, & statement below it) are from Brookwood School, Manchester MA

<http://www.brookwood.edu/library/aup.html>

(The school has the 10 Commandments on their mouse pads)

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The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) has produced a set of guidelines regarding internet use for children entitled [Kids' Rules for Online Safety](#). These guidelines appear below and are available on mouse pads at the Brookwood School Store:

1. I will not give out personal information such as my address, telephone number, parents' work address/telephone number, or the name and location of my school without my parents' permission.
2. I will tell my parents right away if I come across any information that makes me feel uncomfortable.
3. I will never agree to get together with someone I "meet" online without first checking with my parents. If my parents agree to the meeting, I will be sure that it is in a public place and I will bring my mother or father along.
4. I will never send a person my picture or anything else without first checking with my parents.
5. I will not respond to any messages that are mean or in any way make me feel uncomfortable. It is not my fault if I get a message like that. If I do, I will tell my parents right away so that they can contact the online service.
6. I will talk with my parents so that we can set up rules for going online. We will decide upon the time of day that I can be online, the length of time I can be online, and appropriate areas for me to visit. I will not access other areas or break these rules without their permission.