

# Unacceptable Uses

- Internet/Network access provided by Bevill State Community College is to be used solely for College-related business and/or educational purposes. College provided time, equipment, or access is prohibited.
- The Bevill State Community College Internet/Network access may only be used for lawful purposes. Transmission of any material in violation of any federal or state statute or regulation or Bevill State Community College policy is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, material legally judged to be threatening or obscene, or material protected by trade secret. The user agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Bevill State Community College from any claims resulting from your use of the Bevill State Community College Internet/Network System.
- Bevill State Community College will immediately revoke the user's access if evidence of illegal or illicit activity is found and traced to your account. Additional disciplinary action may be taken at the discretion of the President of the College.
- Use for for-profit activities is prohibited unless covered by the General Principle or as a specifically acceptable use, is prohibited.
- Extensive use for private or personal business is prohibited.
- Users of Bevill State Community College network services shall not disrupt any of the networks as a whole or any equipment or system forming part of its systems, or any services provided over, or in connection with, any of the Bevill State Community College networks.
- Bevill State networks shall not be used to transmit any communication where the meaning of the message, or its transmission or distribution, would violate any applicable law or regulation or would likely be highly offensive to the recipient or recipients thereof.
- Advertising of commercial offerings is forbidden. Discussion of a product's relative advantages and disadvantages by users of the product is encouraged. Vendors may respond to questions about their products as long as the responses are not in the nature of advertising.
- It is not acceptable to use the Bevill State Community College Internet/Network access so as to interfere with or disrupt network users, services, or equipment. Disruptions include, but are not limited to, distribution of unsolicited advertising, propagation of computer worms and viruses, and using the network to make unauthorized entry to any other machine accessible via the network. No external devices such as personal laptops, phones, iphones, external hard drives, PDA's, wireless access devices or any other devices without prior approval from Computer Services Department.
- It is assumed that information and resources accessible via Bevill State Community College Internet/Network access are private to the individuals and organizations which own or hold rights to those resources and information unless specifically stated otherwise by the owners or holders of rights. It is therefore not acceptable for an individual to use Bevill State Community College Internet access to access information or resources unless permission to do so has been granted by the owners or holders of rights. It is therefore not acceptable for an individual to use Bevill State Community College Internet/Network access to access information or resources unless permission to do so has been granted by the owners or holders of rights to those resources or information.
- Much of the information on the Internet belongs to somebody. Much of this owned information can be freely downloaded, forwarded, recirculated, and used, so long as the appropriate ownership information and any other guidelines in them are followed. However, a sizable percentage of the information and files accessible through the Internet are not there for free, unrestrained reuse. For example, if one retrieves and uses shareware, such as from the many anonymous-FTP archive sites, that person is obligated to pay the indicated license fees, and respect the associated rules.
- The use of the network is a privilege which will be revoked at any time for abusive conduct. Such conduct would include, but not be limited to, placing of unlawful information on a system, the use of obscene, abusive, or otherwise objectionable language in either public or private messages, the sending of messages that are likely to result in the loss of recipients' work or systems, the sending of "chain letters" or "broadcast" messages to lists or individuals, and any other types of use which would cause congestion of the networks or otherwise interfere with the work of others.