

## PARENTAL PERMISSION FOR ACCESS TO THE INTERNET

A safe environment for all members of the community should be the hallmark of a Catholic school or parish. This is accomplished, in part, by fostering a climate based on Gospel values that emphasizes the dignity of and respect for all persons. Words, actions, or depictions which violate the privacy, safety, or good name of others are inconsistent with that goal.

This policy applies to communications, attachments or depictions through email, text messages or web site postings, whether they occur on the school or parish computer network or through private communications, which:

- (1) threaten, libel, slander, malign, disparage, harass or embarrass members of the school or parish community;
- (2) are of a sexual nature; or
- (3) in the principal's the pastor's, priest administrator's or the parish life director's discretion, as applicable, cause harm to the school or parish or their communities ("Inappropriate Electronic Conduct").

Inappropriate Electronic Conduct shall be subject to the full range of disciplinary consequences. The school principal (for school matters) or the pastor, priest administrator or parish life director (for the parish activities) shall investigate and act upon all reported or observed instances of Inappropriate Electronic Conduct.

Students, parents/guardians, members of the school or parish staff and volunteers are expected to report promptly to the person in charge all suspected or observed instances of Inappropriate Electronic Conduct.

The school or parish at any time may add additional rules and restrictions. The school and parish have the right to monitor all use of electronic communications as set forth in the *Archdiocesan Acceptable Use and Responsibility Policy for Electronic Communications* ("Archdiocesan AUP").

I hereby release \_\_\_\_\_ and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, its personnel and any other institutions with which it is affiliated, from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my child's use of, or inability to use, the Internet, including, but not limited to claims that may arise from the unauthorized use of the system to purchase products or services.

I will instruct my child regarding Inappropriate Electronic Conduct. I will emphasize to my child the importance of following the rules for personal safety.

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read the Archdiocesan Acceptable Use and



Responsibility Policy for Electronic Communications and [insert any supplemental local policy]. I hereby give my permission for my child to use the Internet, subject to those polices and will not hold \_\_\_\_\_ or the Archdiocese of Los Angeles liable as a result of my child's use of the Internet on school premises. I understand that my child has agreed not to access inappropriate material on the Internet.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACH FINAL COPY OF AUP HERE**

