



Rules for Acceptable Use of Computer, Network, and Communications Technology System

Purpose

San Joaquin Delta College (SJDC) owns and operates a variety of computing, network, and telecommunications systems which are provided for the use of San Joaquin Delta College students, faculty, and staff in support of the programs and business of the college and the use of which are limited to education, research, academic development, and approved public service only. Commercial uses or uses for personal gain are specifically excluded. All students, faculty, and staff are responsible for seeing that all computing, network, and telecommunications facilities are used in an effective, efficient, ethical, and lawful manner. This document establishes rules and prohibitions that define acceptable use of these systems. Unacceptable use is prohibited, and is grounds for loss of computing privileges, as well as discipline or legal sanctions under Federal, State, and local laws.

Audience and Agreement

All users of San Joaquin Delta College computing, network, and telecommunications systems (CNT systems) must read, understand, and comply with the rules and responsibilities in this document, as well as any additional guidelines established in various departments. By using any of these systems, users agree that they will comply with these rules and responsibilities.

Rights

These CNT systems, facilities, and accounts are owned and operated by San Joaquin Delta College. San Joaquin Delta College reserves all rights, including termination of service without notice, to its CNT systems. These procedures shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights of San Joaquin Delta College, nor shall they conflict with applicable acts of law. Users have rights that may be protected by Federal, State, and local laws.

Privileges

Access and privileges on San Joaquin Delta College CNT systems are assigned and managed by the Computer Services Department. Eligible individuals may become authorized users of a system and be granted appropriate access and privileges by following the approval steps prescribed for that system. All access to the College's computer resources, including the issuing of passwords, must be approved by Computer Services or a designee. Users may not, under any circumstances, transfer or confer these privileges to other individuals. Any account assigned to an individual shall not be used by others. The authorized user is responsible for the proper use of the system, including any password protection.

Responsibilities

Users are responsible for maintaining the following:

1. An environment in which access to all College computing resources are shared equitably among users:
 - Guidelines within which users must conduct their activities are provided in the Academic Computing Lab and other campus labs. By using these facilities, the user is agreeing to the established guidelines.
2. An environment conducive to learning:
 - A user who uses the CNT systems to harass, or make defamatory remarks, shall bear full responsibility for his or her actions. Further, by using these systems, users agree that individuals who transmit such remarks shall bear sole responsibility for their actions. Users agree that San Joaquin Delta College's role in managing these systems is only as an information carrier, and that they will never consider transmission through these systems as an endorsement of said transmission by San Joaquin Delta College.
 - Some of the San Joaquin Delta College's CNT systems provide access to outside networks, both public and private, which furnish electronic mail, information services, bulletin boards, conferences, etc. Users are advised that they may encounter material which may be considered offensive or objectionable in nature or content. Users are further advised that San Joaquin Delta College does not assume responsibility for the