

NAME: **TechConnect Network Policy for
Residence Halls**
ISSUING DEPARTMENT Campus Technologies
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DEFINITION

The Mansfield University network resources exist primarily for academic and research purposes. All other activities and uses are secondary. The following limitations are in place to ensure the integrity of these resources.

PURPOSE

It is the intention of this policy to make students aware of the network resources in the residence halls.

SCOPE

This procedure concerns all students living in the residence halls.

FORMS

N/A

RESPONSIBILITY

Campus Technologies

PROCEDURE

Network Registration:

Only one computer may be registered to each data port at any given time.

Only one IP address will be assigned to each registered computer via the university's Network Access Control (Safe Connect) system.

Hard coding or manual specification of any network settings will not be allowed.

Residents will be held responsible for all activity originating from their registered computer. This includes all actions taken by guests using a connection registered under your name.

Ethernet/Data Network:

Network services and wiring may not be modified or extended by users for any reason. This applies to all network wiring, hardware, and data jacks.

Ethernet switching equipment and hubs other than those provided by the university are prohibited for use on any Mansfield University network without prior written approval from the Director of Campus Technologies.

Residence Hall networks may not be used to provide network access or services to anyone outside the university community for any purpose.

Wireless Network Equipment:

Hosting or operating a wireless network access point is not allowed on any university network.

The use of any type of wireless equipment including, but not limited to, wireless switches and wireless routers on the university network is strictly prohibited.

Only wireless network access points installed and managed by the Mansfield University Campus Technologies division will be allowed in use on the university's network. Campus Technologies will maintain a current list of wireless access points available on the network. Students may use wireless laptops to connect at university hotspots in these predefined locations.

Servers:

Users may not run a server on any Mansfield University network without prior written consent from the Director of Campus Technologies. Examples of servers include, but are not limited to, WWW, FTP, SMTP, POP, NNTP, DNS, DHCP, TELNET, IRC, and bandwidth intensive media sharing programs or protocols (Kazaa, BitTorrent, etc.).

In order to protect the university's resources, C.T. administrators:

Reserve the right to immediately disconnect any computer from the university's network if the computer is found to contain viruses or any other form of malware. It is the responsibility of computer users to make sure their computer has current virus protection software installed and operational. The network connection will be restored when it has been determined that the user's computer is completely free of viruses and is running current virus protection software.

Reserve the right to immediately disconnect any computer that is sending disruptive signals on the network. It will be the user's responsibility to correct any such problem before the computer can again be connected to the university's network.

Reserve the right to immediately disconnect any computer from the network that is being operated as an unauthorized server (as per the above information on servers).

Reserve the right to immediately disconnect any computer that is running network scanners, host scanners, sniffers, etc. in an attempt to obtain access to other computers or network resources.

Network connections will be restored when it has been determined that the user's computer is no longer in violation of C.T. policies.

DISTRIBUTION

This policy will be distributed through the web and maintained by the staff of Campus Technologies.