

CARY ACADEMY
Parental Consent Form for Allowing Anonymous Access to Student Web Pages

With parental permission, Cary Academy students have the option of making their intranet home pages available via anonymous access on the World-Wide Web through the Internet. While the pages are currently available through the Internet, one must have a valid Cary Academy user ID and password to view them. The consent forms below indicates your willingness to expose your son or daughter's web pages to anyone locally, nationally, or internationally who may be given or locate through a search engine a URL for your child's home page.

There are a number of issues you should consider in providing this consent:

1. Because of the number of students at Cary Academy and the frequency with which they may update their pages, we cannot be responsible for checking any information your student may place on his or her page. Parents and faculty members may provide guidance on home page content but ultimately it is the student's responsibility.
2. The Internet population has much of the same diversity as the population in general. This includes those who might take advantage of a student's openness and naiveté. Therefore students should refrain from placing information that would make them vulnerable to strangers. This discretion need not prohibit your student's creativity but he or she should exercise the same caution as would be exercised in any situation where there are strangers.
3. Though we try to apply all prudent security measures to our servers, one can never guarantee that there will not be a security breach, which would result in someone modifying or deleting your student's page. Of course, this is a problem of a global nature that we must deal with for the site as a whole but you should be aware that this possibility exists.

Given the above cautions, you might wonder what advantage there is in making these pages available. There are a number of positive aspects to this. Firstly, by making these pages available anonymously, it gives your student the opportunity to publish his or her creative endeavors, which may include exemplary schoolwork. Secondly, in making these pages available anonymously, we are obviating any need your student might have to give out his or her password so that others may access the pages. While students have been cautioned against this, we are concerned that it may still be a temptation to give away a password in order to make these pages available. Finally, having a body of student pages available on the Internet can potentially speak well for Cary Academy as the Internet community sees what bright and creative students we have.

If you have read the above information and still wish to make your son or daughter's web pages available, please sign below to acknowledge your permission and forward to the Information Services Coordinator.

I have read the facts about making my son or daughter's web pages available on the Internet and I hereby give my consent. I understand that my son or daughter is ultimately responsible for the content of these pages.

Printed Student's Name

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Printed Name

Parent's Signature

Date