ResNet and Open Data Jack Acceptable Use

The following policies and procedures pertain to usage of ResNet and open data jacks. Failure to comply with these policies and procedures may result in the loss of network privileges as determined by the severity of the violation by ResNet and St. Cloud State network administration, Residential Life, and St. Cloud State University.

All St. Cloud State policies and guidelines regarding student and resident conduct are applicable to all users of ResNet and open data jacks. These policies include, but are not limited to, those that prohibit harassment, and discrimination and the like. Additionally, all state and federal laws are applicable to users of ResNet and open data jacks.

A. Connecting a computer to the St. Cloud State University network signals your FULL agreement to and understanding of this Acceptable Use Policy and any future modifications thereto.

B. Any loss of network privileges may not be mitigated by or substituted for other disciplinary action resulting from violation of university policy, and state or federal laws. Depending on the severity of the violation, disciplinary action may result in probation or expulsion from the resident halls, loss of computing and e-mail privileges, and probation, suspension, or expulsion from St. Cloud State. ResNet and St. Cloud State will cooperate in providing system access to state or federal authorities as may be required for law enforcement purposes.

C. ResNet and St. Cloud State network administrators reserve the right to monitor stability and security of the network. Accordingly, at any time administrators may monitor bandwidth usage and/or stability of the network; and perform scans of the network intended to discover violation of policies and/or potential security hazards.

D. Residents may not tamper with, modify, or extend University network services beyond individual resident rooms. This applies to all network wiring, data jacks, related hardware, and network or Internet services. Personal wireless access points, which would in effect extend the network beyond an individual’s room and therefore potentially provide wireless connections to others, are prohibited. Wireless devices such as wireless network cards, which utilize University approved wireless access points, may be used.

E. Two computers may be registered to each individual student at any given time. The ResNet Coordinator must approve additional registrations. The ResNet Coordinator reserves the right to deny any additional registration requests (contact ResNet for more information).

F. Only one IP address will be assigned to each registered computer via DHCP. Residents may NOT have multiple IP addresses per computer. Hard coding, or manual specification of any network settings, will not be allowed and is considered prohibited. IP addresses are not “static” and may change at anytime.

G. IP addresses may NOT be registered to domain names outside of St. Cloud State University. (Example: registering your IP to something like www.company.com)

H. Use of ResNet for commercial purposes or financial gain is not allowed in any form other than the publishing of your resume on the World Wide Web. This includes, but is not limited to, selling access to resources on your computer or making a direct financial gain from use of University network resources.
I. Abuse (intentional or not) of network resources is prohibited. This includes any activities performed by a resident, or group of residents, that are considered detrimental to the network and/or cause excessive traffic.

J. No resident, or group of residents, may in any way restrict or interfere with others’ access to or use of the network.

K. Harassment of others is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to the use of anonymous/forged e-mail, "SPAM", and other unsolicited messages. Port scanning of systems (campus and/or Internet) is prohibited and considered harassment.

L. 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.

M. No resident may use ResNet or the St. Cloud State network to commit any illegal act or to gain or attempt to gain unauthorized access to any data or system (regardless of whether that data or system is secure). Granting access to copyrighted software or other copyrighted material (including MP3 files from copyrighted music media and digitized video from copyrighted motion pictures) on the network is prohibited.

N. Residents may NOT run servers on ResNet without prior written consent from the ResNet office. Examples of servers include, but are not limited to, WWW, FTP, SMTP, POP, DNS, and DHCP. Residents may request to run servers by contacting the ResNet office. Servers should be academic in nature and will be considered on a case by case basis.

O. ResNet and St. Cloud State network administrators have the responsibility to protect fair access to network and Internet resources by all users and to implement, publicize, and enforce policy consistent with these rights. Accordingly, administrators may remove any user, service, or program from the network (without notice) that impedes with fair access pending an investigation and decision, or satisfactory resolution.

P. ResNet reserves the right to modify, change, and reformat this document, as it deems necessary without permission or consent of its network users. Copies of this AUP will remain available via the ResNet Web site.

Approved by General Counsel