

COHS' Acceptable Use Policy (modified and adapted from * <https://mydesire2learn.com/acceptable-use-policy.html> *This is the complete Acceptable Use Policy of Desire2Learn as of January 12, 2012.)

Canadian Online High School is a member of Desire2Learn's (D2L's) "family of companies" because COHS uses its products, namely its facilities and services. This access to software is used to create and distribute educational information as well as to create communication formats in support of that education. There is an obligation by COHS to respect the intellectual and access rights of others from local to international sources. *Such facilities, services and software shall be used exclusively for legitimate educational activity.**

Computing resources, services and software of Desire2Learn, and its respective partners shall be exclusively used by COHS for legitimate activity related to the performance of the educational duties and responsibilities of COHS and its **clientele (namely COHS' students, parent(s)/guardian(s), teachers, partners, affiliates and staff)**. These duties may be in the administrative, public service, or approved contract purposes so designated between COHS and D2L, specifically to operate an online high school.

In the use of D2L's services by COHS and its clientele to operate and to become involved in an online school, accessing other environments such as YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Skype, Google and other such environments directly or indirectly related to the Educational Objectives of COHS is be *subject to the same policy** by those affiliated with D2L and COHS; that is to use such environments for legitimate activity related to the operation of COHS. This is clearly accepted by the clientele of COHS and this acceptance is known and understood. The burden is exclusively on the clientele of COHS to ensure compliance.

Personal use of the D2L's services by COHS or its clientele is not expressly forbidden provided that personal use does not interfere with any of the other obligations contained herein, or any other user's ability to use the facilities and services.

The services, namely the products and software, of D2L are not to be used, directly or indirectly, by COHS or its clientele for the viewing, access, duplication, alteration of any files or intellectual property of another, without that intellectual property owners express consent. Any attempt to degrade, interfere with, disrupt, damage or otherwise interfere with the services, or using the services or any part thereof for those purposes on another system is expressly forbidden. If you are uncertain if you have permission to perform the task you intent to perform, please consult your system COHS administrator, or equivalent.

Individuals or institutions who disregard elements of this COHS policy may be subject to appropriate contractual or legal action by Desire2Learn (D2L) and/or Canadian Online High School (COHS) in the provincial Ontario Courts or the National Court/Justice system. Violators of this policy may be liable to Desire2Learn and/or Canadian Online High School if there is a violation, however small, of this policy.

Accessing the facilities and services of COHS is your express acceptance of this policy. This is referenced in the Student Agreement provided upon registration with COHS. Should you wish not to follow this policy, or you disagree with any part of it, subject to the severity and knowledge/understanding of this policy upon appropriate review by D2L and/or COHS, you are not permitted to access the facilities and services of Desire2Learn and/or Canadian Online High School at any time, or in any manner.

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