

ARTICLE X: POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE STUDENT COUNCIL SERVER

A. The Student Council Server

1. The title of the server owned and operated under the provision of Student Council Bill F95-6 shall be the Student Council Server (SCS).
2. The World-Wide Web home-page of the SCS shall clearly state its' Student Council mission, ownership, and administration.
3. The Student Council, the Chief Technology Advisor, and the Student Council Server Administrator shall in no way attempt to regulate the viewpoint of any student organization's web pages.
4. All decisions concerning the Student Council Server may be appealed to the Representative Body of the Student Council. Appeals shall follow the format laid out for appeals of Appropriations Committee allocations.

A. Accounts

1. Any qualified Contracted Independent Organization (CIO), Student Agency, or Special Status organization shall be eligible to request an account on the SCS. The SCS Administrator shall be responsible for the assignment of accounts and allocation of server space. A decision not to fulfill a request for an account may be appealed to the Representative Body.
2. There shall be two types of accounts on the SCS:
 - a. Administrative Accounts: These are the accounts used by the SCS Administrator to operate the server. The necessary resources will be approved by the Chief Technology Advisor, while the accounts will be created and activated by the SCS Administrator.
 - b. Standard Accounts: The basic account issued to CIOs, Student Agencies, or Special Status Organizations, including standard allocation of disk space set by the SCS Administrator. Any student organization with an account on the SCS may request additional resources from the SCS Administrator. Organizations granted a Standard Account must maintain their status as a CIO, Agency, or Special Status organization annually in order for the account to remain activated.

B. Appropriate Use of the Student Council Server

1. The purpose of the SCS is to provide student organizations with the ability to post information on the World Wide Web, send official e-mail, post official articles to newsgroups, and store official files.
2. Software to be loaded on the SCS must be pre-approved by the SCS Administrator.
3. For each account, one person must be identified as responsible for that organization's use of the account.
4. Conduct that violates the guidelines for the appropriate use of the Student Council Server include:
 - a. Violations of any federal or state laws including not only those that are specific to computers and networks, but also those that apply generally to personal conduct. These include but are not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Title 20 U.S.C. section 1232[g]), the Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986 (Title 18 U.S.C. section 2510 et. seq.).
 - b. Using a server account for obscene activities where obscene activities shall be defined as being in violation of generally acceptable social standards for use of a publicly-owned and operated communication vehicle.

- c. Giving access to a server account, through sharing of passwords or otherwise, to any person other than the assigned user or an authorized member of the student organization.
- d. Unauthorized attempts to circumvent data protection schemes or uncover security loopholes. This includes creating and/or running programs that are designed to identify security loopholes and/or decrypt intentionally secure data.
- e. Knowingly or recklessly performing an act that will interfere with the normal operation of computers, terminals, peripherals, or networks.
- f. Knowingly or recklessly running or installing, or giving to another user, a program intended to damage or to place excessive load on a computer system or network. This includes, but is not limited to, programs known as computer viruses, Trojan Horses, and worms.
- g. Attempting to monitor or tamper with another user's electronic communications, or reading, copying, changing, or deleting another user's files or software without the express agreement of the other user.
- h. Violating terms of applicable software licensing agreements or copyright laws.
- i. Violating copyright laws and their fair use provisions through inappropriate reproduction or dissemination of copyrighted text, images, etc.
- j. Using system resources to harass, threaten, defraud, or otherwise harm another. This includes sending repeated, unwanted e-mail or talk requests to another user.
- k. Initiating or propagating electronic chain letters.
- l. Inappropriate mass mailing or talk requests such as multiple mailings to newsgroups, mailing lists, or individuals, e.g. "spamming," "flooding," or "bombing."
- m. Forging communications to make them appear to originate from another person.

C. Enforcement

1. The SCS Administrator shall be responsible for protecting the system and users from abuses of all policies, and shall enforce the above guidelines and shall hear, investigate and act on complaints related to the use of the Student Council Server.
2. The SCS Administrator shall communicate with users found to have violated this policy and may instruct them to take action to remedy the violation. The SCS Administrator, in consultation with Student Council's Chief Technology Advisor and Vice President for Organizations, may temporarily revoke or modify use privileges.
3. Violators of these policies and guidelines may be referred to the University Judiciary Committee, Honor Committee, law enforcement officials, or other appropriate disciplinary authority for further action.
4. Alternatively or in addition, with the consent of all parties involved, complaints regarding use of the Student Council Server may be referred to the University of Virginia Mediation Services, or another recognized mediation center, for resolution. The SCS Administrator shall enforce the terms of the mediated resolution agreement.