



## Baldwin Wallace University Acceptable Use Policy for Internet Access for General Public and Minors

Baldwin Wallace University (BW) Information Technology (IT) provides internet access through the University's wireless and wired network in order to allow our students, faculty and staff access to a wide array of internet resources. For guests who are visiting our campus, the University maintains a publicly accessible and rate limited wireless connection that gives users access to off campus internet resources.

### To obtain a guest user account to access library and BW network resources

As required by the BW IT Department, users must sign on to the campus network with a user name and password to gain access to on-campus library and network resources. The BW IT Support Services website gives access to the guest account form <http://help.bw.edu>. Those requesting guest access must go through the process outlined in the form, including obtaining a University "sponsor" for access to the network. This service is provided to support community members who have legitimate college level research needs and access to BW network resources.

### Access to information on the internet via BW public guest wired/wireless networks

BW supports the principle of academic freedom and the rights of users to open access to information resources as spelled out in the American Association of University Professors' "Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure." No content filtering of internet resources occurs on either the wired or wireless network on our campus. All users of the campus internet and/or network resources are bound by all IT Policies found at:

<http://help.bw.edu/policy.html>

### Minors on campus and access to the internet via BW public guest wired/wireless networks

Unsupervised minors are a segment of the population who may not have the maturity or education to make appropriate use of resources available through the campus network or internet. Therefore, it is our policy that parents are responsible for their children's usage of the campus internet and networked resources. Minors, individuals under the age of 18, will have the ability to access our publicly available guest wired and wireless networks and are bound to the policies found at: <http://help.bw.edu/policy.html>

Baldwin Wallace University, the BW IT department, faculty and staff members are not responsible for the information found on the internet by minors. Parents should be aware that the internet does allow access to materials which may be deemed objectionable or offensive. If this level of access is a concern, it is recommended that your child not be permitted to bring a device capable of accessing this content or that the parent installs parent control software on the device and configure it prior to the minor coming to campus. There are a number of solutions available and parents should consult local electronics stores or web resources for the solution that best meets the need of the parent and the device their minor is using.

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**STUDENT SIGNATURE** (parent or guardian must also sign if student under 18 years old)

**Date**

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