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Wireless Access

West Georgia Technical College provides Wi-Fi access to students, guests, and employees.

Guidelines:

Wireless LAN client devices capable of wireless communications, such as a personal “notebook” computers, phones, and mobile devices, may be brought on campus by students, guests, and employees. There are separate wireless networks for college-owned devices (WGTC-Secure) and guest, student, or employee personal devices (WGTC-Public).

Under no circumstances may a wireless access point, wireless switch, or any wireless server device be brought on the premises of any WGTC campus, and no wireless networks, including “ad hoc” or point-to-point networks, may be created on campus; this does not apply to short-range Personal Area Network (PAN) devices using Bluetooth.

Access to internal WGTC systems and resources (except for select services allowed by WGTC’s access control lists, such as DNS and DHCP) from the Public wireless network is strictly prohibited. Any unauthorized attempt to access, probe, or “hack” such systems will result in disciplinary action. The wireless network only provides connectivity to the public Internet, which is filtered in accordance with WGTC and Technical College System of Georgia policies. Refer to the Acceptable Internet Use policy for acceptable use guidelines.

Under no circumstances may a student, guest, or person other than an Information Technology staff member connect or “patch in” a personal, non-WGTC computer or device to the hard-wired campus network through any data port, switch, etc.

Disclaimer and Availability:

WGTC cannot be held responsible or liable for loss or damage to personal equipment brought on campus. The public wireless network is an unsecured, open network; WGTC cannot be held responsible or liable for the security or breach of any transmission that a student chooses to transmit or receive over the WGTC wireless network.

It is intended that WGTC’s wireless network be operational 24/7; however, WGTC reserves the right to bring down the wireless network for occasional maintenance and makes no specific guarantee of uptime.

Connection Procedures and Technical Support:

The wireless network is designed to provide equipment with an IP address via DHCP automatically; the user (student, guest, or employee) is responsible for configuring his/her equipment for DHCP client use. The network will also provide DNS service and allow HTTP/HTTPS for Internet connectivity; no other protocols are supported.

When a client is within range of WGTC’s wireless network, a connection named “WGTC-Secure” or “WGTC-Public” should be available; simple double-click the appropriate network to connect. The Secure network will require a password to access.

If you experience difficulty connecting to the wireless network, please check your configuration and equipment for proper function. If you believe the wireless network in your area is not functioning properly, please report the problem and access area to the Helpdesk or instructor or program area staff, who will report the issue to the Information Technology Department. Information Technology staff cannot provide configuration support for personal equipment.

Penalties:

Violations of these policies incur the same types of disciplinary measures as violations of other WGTC policies or state or federal laws, including criminal prosecution.

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