



Internet Safety Policy Contract

As a camp, it is our responsibility to provide physical safety for our campers as well as emotional safety. Many high school and college students spend time on the Internet, sharing information as well as pictures and videos with friends through social networking websites. **Some** examples of these are Facebook, Myspace and YouTube. As a member of the Camp Veritans community, it is your responsibility to keep the emotional safety of our campers in mind when using these websites.

By agreeing to this policy you are committing yourself to the following:

- 1. Never discuss campers of Camp Veritans on blogs, Face book, MySpace, and other social networking websites.**
- 2. Never use the internet, e-mail, blogs, or any other sites as a vehicle for camp gossip, rumors or speak in a derogatory manner about Camp Veritans or the YMHA of Northern NJ.**
- 3. Never allow pictures or videos of oneself to be seen on the Internet, use the Internet or email that would be considered unprofessional, lewd or compromise your ability to be considered a positive role model for children.**
- 4. Staff are not allowed to accept campers as “friends” on internet sites or ask campers to accept you as “friends” on their pages. Campers may not be allowed access to your postings and you may not be on theirs. All communications with campers via e-mail or through instant messaging and texting must be kept "camp appropriate" and be kept to a minimum.**
- 5. Under no circumstances should you ever publish a picture of a camper on the Internet or send pictures via cell phone, e mail or instant message.**
- 6. If you currently have any material on the internet that you think is in violation of this Internet code of conduct it should be removed immediately.**

Use of Cameras, Photos, Blogging, Websites and the Internet

To protect the children we work with and to ask employees to be respectful of our camp community, we prohibit employees from disclosing or discussing confidential or proprietary information through emails, websites, photos, blogging, or other internet services. We prohibit employees from using the Camp Veritans or YMHA of Northern NJ logo or trademarks. Furthermore, all employee and alumnae last (sir) names are asked to be withheld from websites; all campers first and last names are prohibited from posting on websites. All first and last names are prohibited from being used in blogging. Please be sure that any reference to Camp Veritans or the YMHA of Northern NJ be respectful and be clear the views are from your own viewpoint.

As a role model for children, I understand that my actions may have serious implications to the emotional safety of my campers. I agree to abide the statements above with the understanding that any violation will result in my immediate dismissal from Camp Veritans.

Camp Staff Member

Parent Signature
(if under 21 years old)

Carla Rudow, Camp Director