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INFORMATION PACK FOR PARENTS

The Department of Education and Training (Department) and your school are using online learning services to support learning and teaching. This pack provides information on one of the online services, Wolfram and advice in relation to its safe and responsible use.

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**What information needs to be collected?**

* Name, school, email address and expected graduation date.

**Why is this information needed?**

* To control access to the online services.
* To prevent unauthorised access to student’s work.

**When could this information be accessed by others?**

* By support staff to fix issues.
* Where required by law.
* Never for advertising or marketing purposes.

**For more details on Wolfram visit:**

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/learningdev/vicstem/Pages/wolframsoftware.aspx>

**Wolfram is an internationally recognised provider of industry standard powerful learning tools which can be used across Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects. Wolfram software supports student’s to develop skills in the areas of computation, problem solving, coding and more. Students have access to these online education services:**

* Wolfram Mathematica
* Wolfram SystemModeler
* Wolfram Programming Lab
* Wolfram Alpha Pro

The online services offered by Wolfram may be updated from time to time, but are only made available to students once they have been reviewed and approved by the Department.

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|  | What are the benefits of this service for students? | |
| * Teaches students to be ‘digital citizens’. * Provides access to powerful tools that develop student skills in computation, problem solving and coding. * Facilitates student’s understanding of STEM related subjects. | | |
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|  | | What information is collected by Wolfram and where is it stored? |
| * Student’s name, school, email address and expected graduation date. The Department provided email address contains the student’s name and school as part of the address. * Student’s data is stored in data centers located in the United States of America. | | |

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| How can you help protect your student’s information? Whilst your school manages student’s access to Wolfram, there are some things that you can do to help keep their information safe. | |
|  | **Remind** them not to share passwords with anyone, as they cannot be sure how secure another person will be with their details. |
|  | **Talk** about appropriate uses of technology at school and at home. **Remind** them that anything uploaded to online services can potentially be viewed by others. |
| In rare cases, Wolfram’s technical support team may have access to information stored in Wolfram. | |
|  | Please note that **Wolfram will never contact you or your child directly**. If you or your child are contacted by anyone claiming to be Wolfram support, contact your school immediately. |
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**ONLY complete the section below if you DO NOT want your child to have access to this online service.**

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|  | **Example information students can safely put online** |
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| * Class presentation. * Conversations about classwork/assignments. * School related contact details. * Class related media – i.e. videos, photos. * Whiteboard notes. * Emails between students on school work. | |
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|  | **Example information students should always be cautious of putting online** |
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| * Personal mobile or home phone number. * Personal photographs and video clips unrelated to schoolwork. * Other student’s private information. * Health information. * Bank details. * Home address. * Information on racial or ethnic origin. * Religious beliefs or other opinions. | |

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| Wolfram - Opt-Out Form If upon considering the above information you have questions or concerns please contact your school. **You do not need to do anything** for your child to have access to this service. |  | |
| I **DO NOT** wish for my child to have access to Wolfram and understand that alternative arrangements for work will be made. |  |
| **StudentName**: **Name:** | **Parent / Guardian Signature:** | |
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| **Home room:Home** **room:** |  | |
|  | **Parent / Guardian Name:** | |
| **Date:Date:** |  | |
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