

## Computer and Internet Access

A computer lab with 6 desktop PC's and a laser printer is located in the Administration building next to the library. These computers are networked and have high-speed access to the Internet. Three additional computers and a laser printer are located in the library. The computer lab and library are opened Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Saturday hours are 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday hours are 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Computer support staff is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## Dorm Room Internet Access

In addition to the computer lab, the Dauphin Island Sea Lab has provided its' resident college students, who have their own computers, access to a high-speed connections to the Internet in their dorm rooms. Connection to this network is done at the students' own risk, and the Dauphin Island Sea Lab is not responsible for material viewed or downloaded by users from the Internet, or damage to computers on this network.

Equipment needed for connection to the dorm network includes a 10/100 BaseT Network Interface Card (NIC), and a Category 5 patch cable (10 feet should be sufficient). A modem will not work with the dorm high-speed network. A battery backup or uninterruptible power supply (UPS) is recommended, as the power on campus tends to fluctuate.

Purchase and installation of the NIC is completely the responsibility of the student. The Dauphin Island Sea Lab does not have the resources to install the cards in individual students' computers nor to configure each system to connect to the Internet. Check your owners' manual before you purchase a NIC and configure your network connection. You can request an instruction sheet from the computer support staff for your specific operating system to assist you in connecting to the Internet.



## Internet Access Policy

Users of the Dauphin Island Sea Lab network and Internet connections are responsible for respecting and adhering to all state, federal, and international laws. Any attempt to break those laws through the use of the network may result in litigation against the offender by the proper authorities. Transmission of any material in violation of any federal or state statute or regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, material legally judged to be threatening or obscene, or material protected by trade secret. If such an event should occur, this organization will fully comply with the authorities to provide any information necessary for the litigation process. While we cannot be responsible for the actions of individual users, it is understood that the Dauphin Island Sea Lab will make every effort to ensure compliance with established laws. Spamming, Warez, and excessive bandwidth (downloading) usage will not be tolerated.

**\*I have read and agree to the above information and policy.**

**Print Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*All students are required to read and complete this agreement. The signed agreement must be returned to the registrar at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab along with vessel and medical releases.