



Texas Wesleyan University Information & Communication Technology

Connecting Your Computer System to the Internet

Welcome to Texas Wesleyan. As a student and Resident Hall member you may attach your personal computer to a university-provided Internet connection.

Before you begin, you must have the following:

- A valid Wesleyan username and password.
 - User name - This will be your First Name Initial and your Last Name in most cases (ex. jdoe). If you have forgotten or lost your user name, visit the Wesleyan ID center on the first floor of the EJW library.
 - Password - This will be the last 6 digits of your Social Security Number. If you have forgotten or lost your password, visit the Wesleyan ID center on the first floor of the EJW library.
- An Ethernet network capable personal computer (desktop or laptop).
- A Category 5 (CAT5 or CAT 5E) unshielded, twisted pair, Ethernet patch cable.
- A computer operating system with all the current system updates downloaded and installed.
- Antivirus software with current virus signature updates.

To connect your computer for the first time, please follow these steps:

1. Identify the wall plate in your room containing (2) jacks/receptacles. The jack/receptacle with the blue label is for your internet connection. The white jack/receptacle will be where you connect your phone (optional).
2. With your computer turned off, plug in the CAT5 cable into the blue jack in the wall and attached the other end to your computer. You are now ready to begin the connection process.
3. The first time you connect to the Wesleyan network your computer will automatically obtain a special address. Also at this time, your system will be scanned for an up-to-date virus protection program and will verify that your Operating System has the latest updates available. These procedures are in place to provide a secure environment for your data and ensure operational compatibility.
4. If your system does not meet the required compatibility, you will be notified on-screen that you will have a seven (7) day grace period in which to update both your anti virus and operating system.

Please follow these steps to begin verification of compatibility:

1. After plugging your CAT 5 patch cable into your system and the wall jack, turn on your system
2. When your system has booted up fully and you can select your Internet browser (Internet Explorer, Netscape), click on your browser as you normally do to access the Internet.
3. As soon as your browser opens, select any normal destination (i.e. Yahoo, Google) and you will be asked to log on with your Wesleyan assigned user name (First Name initial and Last Name) and your password.
4. After logging in, your system will automatically be scanned for the items mentioned above. After the scan is complete you will either receive notification that your system is configured properly and is secure or you will receive a notice that you need to download operating system critical updates and or purchase/update your virus protection software.

If your system needs updates to its operating system or you need up to date virus protection software you will have seven (7) days to comply. Texas Wesleyan will allow you to connect to the Internet during those 7 days, but will again prompt you in another 7 days for compliance. After your second grace period has expired you will not be allowed access to the Internet. After the second grace period you must contact Residence Life at 817/413-5000 for assistance.

That's all there is to it! Connecting to the Internet is very simple if your system is properly configured and secure from harmful viruses.

Please note that the university policies found in the Student Handbook apply to your Internet use.