

# ***Policies and Information***

## **Student Computer Policy**

### **General Statement:**

IBM compatible computers are accessible to all students. The use of computers can be an excellent tool and asset while you're attending Research College of Nursing. Using a personal computer allows students to complete all coursework and general curriculum requirements within their designated program at Research College of Nursing. Courses are either web-enhanced or completely web-based using an Internet tool called WebCT <http://webct.rockhurst.edu> (Note: There is no www prior to the URL). This website also addresses Internet browser requirements and tune-ups.

### **Responsibilities:**

Students are responsible for knowing how to operate the computer system they choose and the software packages required. Students are responsible for all repairs, updates and configurations to their own computer. Students are expected to complete assignments in a timely manner regardless of the state of repair of their individual computer system. Remember you always have the Computer Labs as an alternative.

Over the course of a student's program computer upgrades may be necessary. Students are responsible for upgrades required for curriculum completion.

Individual coursework may require additional specialized software not already delineated. In this case, it is the faculty member's responsibility to insure the software requirements are clearly delineated on the class syllabus. Students are then responsible for acquiring the specialized software necessary to complete specific course requirements.

### **Access:**

Options for access include, but are not limited to, home Cable, DSL, or Satellite High Speed Internet Access, the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and the computer labs at Research College of Nursing or Rockhurst University. The computer labs at Research College of Nursing and Rockhurst are equipped with computers robust enough to access the Internet, run web browsers, Windows XP, Office 2003 and WebCT. If the student chooses to purchase a computer, the computer should meet the recommended computer requirements.

### **Minimum Requirements:**

Minimum requirements include both hardware and software applications. Contact the Director of Technological Resources to receive a copy of the current minimum requirements.