

Resolution on Access to Wireless Networks
By the TCU Faculty Senate
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Whereas TCU has established a reputation as a center of academic excellence and innovation, and

Whereas TCU's ability to achieve its mission to educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community is significantly impacted by the ability of TCU students to have easy and reliable access to the World Wide Web, and

Whereas maintaining the teacher-scholar model also requires all TCU faculty and support staff to have easy and reliable access to the World Wide Web, and

Whereas TCU students are continuing to experience connectivity difficulties with the StuWireless network, and

Whereas TCU faculty and support staff are experiencing connectivity difficulties and restricted access to TCU networks, and

Whereas these difficulties negatively impact the ability of TCU students, faculty, and support staff to contribute to TCU's mission and achieve academic and operational excellence, and

Whereas an increasing reliance on smartphones, tablets, and other mobile wireless devices over traditional desktop computing devices will only exacerbate any current wireless network problems, and

Whereas Mac users currently experience more problems than PC users,

Therefore, be it resolved, that the TCU Faculty Senate urges Technology Resources to make (1) reliable student access to TCU networks, (2) unrestricted and reliable access to TCU networks by TCU faculty and support staff, and (3) equal treatment and support for Mac and PC users priorities of the highest order and (4) to provide the Faculty Senate with regular updates on the progress being made toward achieving these goals.

Submitted by the Student Relations Committee