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Internet Basics Handout
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- 1. The Internet or World Wide Web (WWW) is a global network of computers.**
- 2. To connect to the Internet you need a capable device and an Internet Service Provider (ISP).**
- 3. A browser is an application that lets you view what is on the Internet.**
- 4. The most popular browsers are: Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Firefox, and Safari.**
- 5. The Home Page is the first (default) page that appears when you open the browser.**
- 6. A Uniform Resource Locator (URL) is also known as a web address.**
- 7. To surf the Web, type a URL into the Address Bar and click Go or press <Enter>.**
- 8. A web page or site is what results when you type something into your browser's Address Bar.**
- 9. A Toolbar is a group of icons normally found below the Menu Bar.**
- 10. Browsers vary in terms of features and strength of security protection.**
- 11. To display the same web page again, click the Refresh icon or press the <F5> key.**
- 12. To return to a previously viewed web page, click the "Back" Arrow (←), or to move ahead click the Forward Arrow (→).**
- 13. The laundry list of items across the top of a web page is called a Menu.**
- 14. The dropdown list of items under a Menu is called Options.**
- 15. Under Menus you will find many hot key combinations such as <Ctrl-P> for Print.**
- 16. There is a special dropdown menu in the upper right hand corner of a web page with a special icon such as a gear (IE) or a series of horizontal lines (Chrome), etc.**
- 17. A Hyperlink (web link) is an Internet address which when clicked on opens a web page.**
- 18. You can move up and down (scroll) a web page using keyboard, mouse, or finger.**
- 19. A secure web site is shown by https: in the Address Bar and/or a closed yellow padlock.**
- 20. A search engine is a web site that finds information that is on the Internet.**
- 21. Favorites or Bookmarks are lists of sites that you wish to visit again.**
- 22. A cookie is a marketing or advertising file that contains information on sites you have visited.**
- 23. You can usually copy text, links, and images from web pages.**
- 24. All browsers contain the popular tabbed browsing feature.**
- 25. If you need help and support for your browser, press the <F1> key.**