

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our school is implementing a 1:1 technology initiative with the purpose of enhancing students' learning experience, provide access to educational resources online, prepare students with practical life skills by a direct experience in learning 21st century technology skills, and providing students the ability to access assignment information in and outside the classroom. Beginning at the start of the spring semester, all students will receive iPads in which they will be using in classes and are able to bring home.

At our school, the integration of iPads not only allows students to access helpful resources, but also allows students to be creative with a variety of assignments. Our teachers are going through vigorous training to be proficient in connecting with our student's, and in doing so will produce far more proficient work. With our student's utilizing the iPads, it will save time, teach global citizenship, and provides endless opportunities for all student's.

These iPads will be utilized in the classroom to enhance student learning in a variety of ways. The school has budgeted for students' devices to have several educational apps, some of which includes Canvas, Prezi, iMovie, Khan Academy, Ted, Photomath, Ready4 SAT, GradeProof, and more. Access to technology will also help students to collaborate on projects, share with their classes through AirPlay and Google Classroom, and allow teachers to see student progress and provide feedback more regularly.

With all these benefits and resources listed above, it should be shown that technology can be positive and although many concerns might arise, we hope that they can be addressed and taught to parents, guardians, and students as the 1:1 initiative progresses throughout the school year.

To address any safety concerns, there will be open classroom discussions about the dangers of the internet and technology and how to safely go about using the internet. Students will be instructed not to provide or reveal any personal information on the internet. Teachers will be instructed as to when it is the proper time for students to use their iPads and when it is not. The technology will be used in instructed time only and not for social media, games or applications that are not academic.

Safety concerns can be avoided in the classroom by practicing digital citizenship. The internet is a wonderful resource for information about all content that will be taught in school. It is crucial to note however that not every resource is safe for students to use. Digital citizenship is being able to navigate the web in a safe and effective manner. This involves learning how to pick out credible sources from the non-credible sources and being able to practice online safety. We ask that students are smart with their online information including usernames and passwords and that they do not share the information with anyone and that you as parents and guardians aid in the practice of the student's digital citizenship when working at home.

The iPad expectations and violation consequences are outlined on the contract below. If you or your student have any questions please contact our school's technology specialist, Katelyn Crandall at 1-234-567-8901 or abcdefg@school.org or our principal Teddy McLean at 1-098-765-4321 or hijklmnop@school.org

Thank you,

Katelyn Crandall, Technology Specialist

Teddy McLean, Principal

Olivia Bryce, Vice Principal

Ben Davis, Administration

Dear Students and Parents,

As our school moves towards a one-to-one technology program, we have a few guidelines concerning the use of these devices in and out of the classroom. It is of our utmost concern that students will be using technology in a responsible and safe manner as outlined below:

- Devices are to be used as instructed by teachers or school faculty only.
- Students must treat devices with respect, and will be mindful of using them carefully and avoiding damage.
- Technology is a privilege and should be used in a responsible manner. It should not create distractions in the classroom.
- Students will responsibly and safely use the Internet by protecting their personal information.
- Students will be mindful of digital citizenship and being appropriate, respectful, and responsible online. Students are not to use the device for social media, applications or games, or communication that does not relate to academics. Students will be mindful of their digital footprint and will not download any illegal content.
- Students will treat each other's work with respect.
- The camera function is to be used appropriately and only when instructed.

Students who are misusing technology may have their device revoked temporarily or permanently based on the discretion of the teacher and administration system.

After thoroughly reading and reviewing these concerns, I as a student agree to use technology in a safe and responsible way.

Name of Student:

Student Signature:

Parent Signature:
