



ELEMENTARY TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT FOR PARENTS

The Grand Rapids Christian Schools (GRCS) mission statement is to “prepare students to be effective servants of Christ in contemporary society”. GRCS is committed to the use of technology to help meet this goal. Technology is an integral part of the GRCS education program, which recognizes and values the uniqueness of each learner, equipping them with tools for research, design, analysis, composition, and communication while teachers serve as facilitators of instruction, mentors, and coaches.

The [GRCS Responsible Use Policy](#) is a guide designed to ensure that our technology is used in a responsible, ethical, and legal manner, and aligns with the expectations of the Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA).

As we incorporate digital tools into learning experiences for content creation, communication, collaboration, and information management, some apps and services we use in school require students to have accounts to sign in. When they do, the app might collect user data. Parent permission is required for students under the age of 13 to use such accounts. It is our goal to teach students safe and responsible practices when using online tools, and we teach the students not to use personal identifiers when posting work online.

While a new tool may be implemented mid-year, the [tools we currently use and their privacy policies are listed here](#). This link is kept current on the [GRCS Instructional Technology website](#).

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Parent/Guardian permission is given for my student to log on and use online apps and services to create and store content that are pre-selected by GRCS staff members and listed on the [GRCS Instructional Technology website](#). I understand that my child will be expected to use the accounts in accordance with school rules outlined in the [GRCS Responsible Use Policy](#).
