



Digital Citizenship

By using technology in a safe, legal, and ethical way, you can create an online environment where all feel safe, valued, and respected. Use the digital citizenship guidelines below to help you make the right decisions while online.

Be Responsible

- Take care of your device
- Use school devices for school purposes only
- Check your school email regularly
- Protect your identity
- Be kind online. Use language to build others up not tear them down

Stay Safe

- Keep your password protected
- Do not post personal Information
- Do not agree to meet with someone you met online without your parent's approval
- Speak to an adult if anything makes you feel uncomfortable online, or if anyone acts inappropriately towards you

Think First

- Pause and think before you post anything online
- Whatever you say or do online can be viewed, copied, saved, and shared
- Investigate whether a source is credible because not all information online is true
- Use proper citations when sharing someone else's creative work online

Speak Up

- Talk with your teacher if you need help with your classwork
- Be a good classmate by not bullying or humiliating others online
- Speak up or ask for help if you see someone being mistreated online

Stay Balanced

- Create a schedule for your online schoolwork. This will help you to avoid multitasking while online.
- Take breaks and unplug from technology and screens
- "Pause for people" by looking up and paying attention if someone wants to talk to you when you are on a device

Take the Pledge

As a student and a digital citizen, I agree to:

- Be Responsible
- Stay Safe
- Think First
- Speak Up
- Stay Balanced

Signature

Date

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