

Randolph Township Schools

Anti-Big Brother Annual Notification and Equipment Liability

Parents/Guardians:

Your child has been issued a district- or school-owned electronic device for at-home educational use. The district's "Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement" fully applies to the use of this equipment both on and off school premises. Settings have been adjusted for appropriate school use. These settings must not be altered, deleted or circumvented in any way. The school has also downloaded applications for student use. The student and parent/guardian agree to be responsible for the maintenance and care of the device, and to return it when requested in the same condition in which it was received, except for normal and reasonable wear and tear. In the event that a device is returned with questionable damages, contact will be made with the appropriate resource (i.e. case manager for a child with special needs). It is expected that appropriate care of the equipment will be given while utilizing the device and appropriate supervision will be offered. Furnished devices may be inspected periodically to check for appropriate use.

Please read this notification, sign and return the document to your child's case manager. This document is also available at www.rtnj.org.

Effective July 2013, the Anti-Big Brother Act - New Jersey Statutes Annotated (N.J.S.A.) 18A:36-39 (P.L. 2013, c. 44) was enacted. It requires that parents/guardians of students who have been assigned district or school owned electronic devices for use outside of school in connection with the district's educational program, must be notified and informed of the following:

If a school district furnishes a student with a laptop computer, cellular telephone, or other electronic device, the district shall provide the student with written or electronic notification that the electronic device may record or collect information on the student's activity or the student's use of the device if the electronic device is equipped with a camera, global positioning system, or other feature capable of recording or collecting information on the student's activity or use of the device.

The school district shall not use any of the capabilities in a manner that would violate the privacy rights of the student or any individual residing with the student.

Many electronic devices automatically store a history of the user's online and offline activities. The intent of this law is for the district to notify the student that their electronic device will store information when the device is outside of school, and that the stored information will not be used in any way to violate the student's privacy rights (or that of any individual residing with the student).

Your signature below indicates you have read the technology policies and acknowledge the notification and liability requirements.

(Print Student Name)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Student Signature, if applicable)

(Date)

By signature below, the parent or guardian of the student shall acknowledge receipt of this notification.

The school district shall retain the acknowledgement as long as the student retains the use of the electronic device.

Student Name (Print) and School _____

Type of Electronic Device _____

Staff Member Issuing Device _____

Date of Issue _____

Date of Return _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date Signed _____