

THE KING'S ACADEMY

Where Christ is King

Dear Parents of Rising Sixth Grade Students,

As your child moves into their final year of elementary, he/she has learned valuable knowledge through the spiritual and academic leadership of our wonderful elementary teachers. The transition into the middle school program is upon us and we are excited to welcome your family and share important information for the 2022-2023 school year.

Next year, the 6th grade teachers will introduce your student to using devices only a daily basis to help build 21st century skills. Students will be taught how to navigate the tools within Office 365 to type papers, create presentations, and collaborate on projects. Students will sharpen self-efficacy skills as they learn how to check grades and assignments in RenWeb and Canvas. Students will access several databases to research information for assignments and projects in addition to delving deeper into their learning with tools such as IXL. Becoming familiar with technology in sixth grade is a stepping-stone to prepare for seventh grade. Seventh grade teachers will integrate technology daily into their lesson plans.

In an effort to prepare a future which will be culture rich with technology, communication, and collaboration, The King's Academy has a B.Y.O.D. (bring your own device) policy starting in sixth grade. Your child will be using the devices every day.

When purchasing a device, we ask that you choose one with a/an:

- Windows operating system
- Attached or attachable Keyboard
- Minimum screen size 12.9
- Ability to record audio and video
- Battery life that will last all day (6+ hours)
- Intel Chipset Core I-series Processor
- M1 or M2 Processor (Apple)

iPads are **NOT** approved devices

Chromebooks are **NOT** approved devices

MacBooks are acceptable devices. Teachers will be unable to help individuals with a MacBook running OS10.

Office 365 and RenWeb will continue to be important programs that your child will use daily. Your child's teachers will also have additional programs specific to his/her classroom about which you will be informed during school. Should you need assistance please contact techinfo@TKA.net. If you have questions about individual device problems, please seek help from an outside source.

Respectfully,

Adam Miller, M.Ed.
Elementary Principal