



## Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)

In order for schools within Richland County School District One to be able to provide your student with the most effective web-based tools and applications for learning, they need to abide by federal regulations that require parental consent as outlined below.

Our district utilizes several computer software applications and web-based services, operated not by this school, but by third parties. A complete list of the online/digital resources with the Privacy Policies and Terms of Use/Service can be found on the following link: <https://www.richlandone.org/Page/5803>

In order for our students to use these programs and services, certain personal identifying information - generally the student's name and email address - must be provided to the website operator. Under federal law entitled the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), these websites must provide parental notification and obtain parental consent before collecting personal information from children under the age of 13. For more information, please visit the [COPPA](#) website.



The law permits schools such as ours to consent to the collection of personal information on behalf of all of its students, thereby eliminating the need for individual parental consent given directly to the website operator.

In Richland School District One, parents have the right to “**Opt Out**” for children under the age of 13. If you do not give permission for your child(ren) to use district selected educational online resources, you must complete an [Opt Out Form](#) which must be turned in to your school’s administrator. **Please note that if you choose to opt out, your child(ren) will no longer be able to use digital online resources that the district has selected to improve and enhance learning and academic success while at school or at home.** You acknowledge this will significantly limit your child’s use of district approved instructional software and digital devices.