



ASHEVILLE CITY SCHOOL RESPONSIBLE TECHNOLOGY USE AND INTERNET SAFETY AGREEMENT FOR STUDENTS



PURPOSE: Asheville City Schools provides all students on-campus access to the Internet, network resources, email accounts, and/or portable computers at designated grade levels, as a means to promote achievement and provide diverse opportunities during the educational experience. This agreement provides guidelines and information about the limitations that the school imposes on the use of these resources. Signing this Responsible Use Agreement signifies compliance with Board Policy 3225, and agreement with the higher standards in this document. Additional rules may be added as necessary and will become a part of this agreement.

TERMS OF THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY AND INTERNET SAFETY AGREEMENT

Specifically, students:

- Will adhere to these guidelines each time ACS-provided technology resources are used.
- Will communicate respectfully and appropriately when using the Internet and social media (Instagram, Snapchat, etc.) through cell phones or other electronic or digital devices.
- Will report cyber-bullying to school personnel.
- Will behave in a responsible, ethical, and polite manner when using technology.
- Will seek support from a trusted staff member about experiences with social media and the Internet.
- Will follow copyright laws.
- Will respect their own privacy and the privacy of others, and protect the privacy of personally-identifying information.
- Will use district-provided email appropriately and understand that district-provided email is monitored and accessible by the school and district administrators.
- Will not attempt to access networks and other technologies beyond the point of authorized access.
- Will not attempt to use another person's account and/or password.
- Will keep passwords secret and only share passwords with parents or guardians.
- Will not tamper with technology systems, including unauthorized system access, vandalism, data exfiltration, or unauthorized data encryption.
- Will not attempt to override, bypass or otherwise change the Internet filtering software or other network configurations, including the use of a proxy to bypass the filter.
- Will understand that Asheville City Schools monitors student technology and Internet use.
- Will not access or store materials or attempt to locate materials that are unacceptable in a school setting such as pornographic, obscene, graphically violent, or vulgar images, sounds, music, language, video, or other content.
- Will make any messages or files stored or information accessed, downloaded, or transferred using district-owned technology available for inspection by an administrator.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

By signing below, I agree to abide by the conditions listed above for responsible technology use. I understand that should I fail to honor all the terms of this agreement future technology use may be limited. Furthermore, I may be subject to disciplinary action outlined in the **ACS Student Code of Conduct**.

As the student, my signature indicates I have read or had explained to me and understand this Responsible Use of Technology and Internet Safety Agreement, and accept responsibility for abiding by the terms and conditions outlined and using these resources for educational purposes.

Student name (please print): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT

By signing below, I give permission for the school to allow my son or daughter to have access to the internet and related technologies. I understand that no internet filter is perfect and that Asheville City Schools cannot be held responsible for inappropriate content accessed when using the ACS network. ACS takes all reasonable precautions to ensure online safety including Internet content filtering and promotes the proper use of the Internet and related technologies.

In compliance with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (2000), Asheville City Schools allows the use of select third-party websites and other online services (such as Google Workplace, IXL, ClassLink, etc.) that may collect individually identifiable information about students under the age of 13 only when parental consent is obtained by school system personnel. My signature below indicates my consent for Asheville City Schools to provide such services to my child.

As the parent/guardian, my signature indicates I have read and understand this Responsible Use of Technology and Internet Safety Agreement.

Parent/Guardian name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____