KIRKWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Digital Citizenship Contract for Students

Please read carefully each of the eight facets of good digital citizenship. By signing this contract, you are committing to utilizing electronic media in a manner that is ethical and respectful to yourself and others and as an educational tool.

1. **Respect Yourself.** I will show respect for myself through my actions. I will select online names that are appropriate. I will demonstrate respect for myself and others when posting information and images online, including personal information about my life, experiences, or relationships. I will not communicate using obscene language or images.

2. **Protect Yourself.** I will ensure that the information, images, and materials I post online will not put me at risk. I will not publish my personal details, contact information, or a schedule of my activities. I will share my iCloud and security passcodes only with my parents and teachers. I will report any attacks or inappropriate behavior directed at me. I will use my school email for educational purposes only, as it relates to class requirements, protocol, and communication. I will ensure that my school email is not used as a sign-up or log-in option for non-school-related sales or media.

3. **Respect Others.** I will show respect to others. I will not use electronic media to insult, harm, embarrass, degrade, offend or defame other people. I will show respect for others through my choice of websites and will not visit sites that are inappropriate or degrading to any persons or groups. I will not take or share pictures of others without their permission. I will not access other people's private spaces or areas.

4. **Protect Others.** I will protect others by reporting abuse, not forwarding inappropriate materials or communications, and not visiting sites that are inappropriate or degrading to any person or group. I will protect others' learning environment by muting my device in the classroom unless instructed otherwise by a teacher.

5. **Respect Property.** I understand that I am responsible for the device assigned to me and am expected to return the device, cord, and charger upon request in the same condition it was received. If my device is found to have insufficient storage space for school needs, I will delete any non-educational content to make space for necessary content or apps.

6. **Protect Property.** I will not modify the device in any way that will permanently alter the device physically or electronically. I will keep the district asset tags in place on the device. I will not delete any security configuration from my device. I will not loan my device to others or borrow a device from another student. I will not intentionally find workarounds for blocked websites or security settings.

7. **Respect Ideas.** I will request permission to use resources or content produced by others. I will suitably cite any and all use of content not produced by me, including websites, books, media, AI, etc. I understand that using an AI tool to generate a response to an assignment and claim it as my own is considered plagiarism. I am aware of the potential for AI to be used to cheat or plagiarize and if I am unsure whether or not the use of AI is fair and honest, I will ask a teacher for guidance.

8. **Protect Ideas.** If I purchase music or other media, I will refrain from distributing these in a manner that violates their licenses. I will act with integrity.

I agree to follow the principles of digital citizenship outlined in this contract and accept that failing to follow these tenets will have consequences.

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Student name (print)_____ Signature & Date_____

Parent/Guardian name (print)_____ Signature & Date_____