



# Student Technology-Device-Internet Safety Agreement

## Student Information (Please Print Clearly)

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Grade-Level

### I. Online Access and Digital Device Use

Ashe County Schools offers access to digital devices and online educational resources to support and enrich student learning. We are dedicated to maintaining a safe and effective online learning environment.

- **Internet Filtering:** ACS maintains a web filter on all school-issued devices, both on and off campus, to restrict access to objectionable material as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act. Students must authenticate using their ACS username and password to access the internet. While filters are in place, no system is foolproof, and parents/guardians are ultimately responsible for monitoring online activity at home.
- **No Expectation of Privacy:** There is no expectation of privacy regarding the use of, or content on, school-issued devices or within the ACS network or cloud services. Electronic messages and data stored with ACS accounts may be monitored by procured software or designated staff to ensure appropriate use.
- **Home Internet Access:** ACS provides filtering for school-issued devices used at home but does not serve as the Internet Service Provider (ISP). Parents are encouraged to develop usage guidelines for students while at home as well as charging stations outside the area where students sleep.
- **Ownership & Loan:** All digital devices loaned to students by ACS remain the property of Ashe County Schools. The right of possession is a privilege and the use is conditional upon full compliance with ACS policies and guidelines.
- **Return of Devices:** Students are required to return assigned devices on the designated day at the end of the school year or when withdrawing from Ashe County Schools. Failure to return the property by designated deadlines will be considered unlawful appropriation of property and will result in financial responsibility for the replacement costs.
- **Damage, Loss, or Theft:** In the event of negligence, parents/guardians are responsible for the replacement costs. Students and parents/guardians are encouraged to provide their own case, sleeve, or bookbag with a computer sleeve to protect the device. Responsibility for costs of damage, loss, or theft occurring while the device is checked out to the student remains with the parent/guardian. *Please see 1:1 Technology Device Handbook for details.*

### II. Responsible Use of Technology

All students and employees are expected to comply with the ACS Technology Responsible Use Policy (Policy 3225/4312/7320), which can be accessed from the Ashe County Schools webpage within the Policy Manual at [https://www.boardpolicyonline.com/bl/?b=ashe\\_county#&&hs=1901437](https://www.boardpolicyonline.com/bl/?b=ashe_county#&&hs=1901437). Please read this policy, as your signature below represents your agreement.

#### Unsafe Practices and Violations of Responsible Use Include, but are not limited to:

- Bullying or threatening another person.
- Cheating on assignments that are confined to individual completion.
- Sharing personal/identifying information (about self or others).
- Communicating false or misleading information. (Say Something) you may want to clarify what Say Something is OR use App after the title
- Accessing or demonstrating inappropriate or objectionable content.
- Intentional damage to school property or devices.
- Any violation of district policies regarding internet safety, technology use, or social media.

### III. Generative AI Tools in the Classroom

Ashe County Schools recognizes the transformative potential of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools (like Gemini, MagicSchool, and others) to enhance teaching and learning. We are committed to integrating these tools ethically, responsibly, and effectively to prepare students for a future increasingly shaped by technology.

- **Educational Purpose:** Generative AI tools will be used in classrooms as an educational resource to support



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personalized learning, enhance creativity, and develop future-ready skills.

- **Responsible Use and Academic Integrity:** Students are expected to use generative AI tools responsibly and ethically, adhering to principles of academic integrity. This includes understanding the capabilities and limitations of AI, proper citation of AI use when required, and ensuring that AI tools are used to *support* learning, not to replace original thought or effort.
- **Guidelines and Frameworks:** The use of generative AI tools in ACS classrooms is governed by the ACS Generative AI Guidelines & Framework documents. We encourage all parents/guardians and students to review this living document, which outlines appropriate use, potential risks, and expectations. ([Click HERE for Guidelines](#)) *Please read these documents as your signature below represents your agreement.*

## IV. Parent/Guardian and Student Agreement & Device Request. Please check the appropriate boxes below. Internet/Network Access:

- Yes, I give the student listed above permission to use the ACS Internet/Network for educational purposes while at school.
- No, I do NOT give the student listed above permission to use the ACS Internet/Network for educational purposes while at school. (Note this will be a hardship for your student, as most textbooks and resources are now online.)

## Pictures/Publishing:

- Yes, I give the student above permission to have his/her picture on the ACS/school website/social media sites.
- No, I do NOT wish the student above to have his/her picture on the ACS/school website/social media sites.

## Generative AI Tools Use:

- Yes, I give the student listed above permission to use Generative AI tools for educational purposes as guided by ACS staff and the ACS Generative AI Guidelines & Framework
- No, I do NOT give the student listed above permission to use Generative AI tools for educational purposes. (Please note this will be a hardship for your student, as many resources now have AI built into their program.)

## School-Issued Device:

- Yes, I request that my student have a school-issued device (Chromebook for K-12). I understand that I am responsible for its care and return as outlined in this agreement. I agree to pay the usage device fee of \$20.00 (K-6) or \$30.00 (7-12) for the year and to pay the replacement cost if the device is lost or irreparable

## Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment and Signature:

I understand and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in this document, Ashe County Schools Annual Technology Use Agreement, including the Online Access and Digital Device Use, Responsible Use of Technology, and Generative AI Tools in the Classroom. I understand my responsibilities as a parent/guardian regarding the monitoring of my child's online activity and the financial responsibility for damage, loss, or theft of the school-issued device.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Student Acknowledgment and Signature:

I acknowledge and understand the guidelines established by ACS Policy 3225/4312/7320 and all terms outlined in this agreement. I understand that violation of the Ashe County School's Responsible Use Policy, including the misuse of generative AI tools, will result in disciplinary action. I understand that my student's privilege to use and possession of school property terminates on the last student day of the school year, unless terminated prior, and that I am financially responsible for replacement costs if the property is not returned or returned irreparable.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_