

Middle School iPad Code of Conduct

The school-issued iPad is a **learning tool** provided by the Sweet Home Central School District to support each student's learning and to enhance their teachers' instruction. It is **not** a personal entertainment device. Each student's use of their school-issued iPad is a privilege intended to support their academic growth and academic pride.

Acceptable Use

Students are expected to:

- Utilize the iPad **only for school-related learning activities** and assignments.
- Follow all teacher directions regarding when and how the iPad may be used in each classroom.
- Use **only** approved educational apps, websites, and other platforms as assigned by a teacher or other supervising adult.
- Keep the iPad charged, clean, and ready for class each day.
- Protect the iPad from damage, loss, or theft to the best of their ability and report any issues immediately.

Prohibited Use

The following are **unacceptable** uses for their school-issued iPads:

- Playing/viewing unapproved games and other entertainment, **unless directly assigned and/or approved by a teacher, administrator, or other supervising adult for class-specific assignments.**
- Viewing/creating social media content and/or non-school-related communication.
- Streaming non-school-related videos, music, and/or browsing the internet for non-academic reasons.
- Downloading or installing apps without the express permission of a teacher, administrator, or other supervising adult.
- Taking photos, videos, or audio recordings of students, teachers, or any other school employees during school hours without the express permission of a supervising adult.
- Attempting to bypass filters, security settings, or school monitoring systems.
- Using the iPad to bully, harass, cheat, plagiarize, or violate school rules.

Digital Citizenship

Students will:

- Use respectful and appropriate language in all digital spaces.
- Respect the privacy and work of others.
- Give proper credit for information and images taken from an outside source.
- Follow all school policies regarding technology and internet safety.

Care and Responsibility

- The iPad must always remain in its protective case.
- Food and drinks should be kept away from the device.
- The iPad should be used **only** by the student to whom it has been assigned.

Consequences for Misuse

Failure to follow this Code of Conduct may result in:

1. Verbal warning and reminder of expectations.
2. Parent/guardian notification.
3. Loss of iPad privileges for a period of time and/or tiered interventions
4. Detention-lunch/afterschool
5. Suspension - possible in/out-of-school suspension

Acknowledgment

I understand that the school-issued iPad is a **learning tool** and agree to follow this Code of Conduct. I understand that misuse may result in loss of privileges or disciplinary action.

Student Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ **Date:** _____

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