

University School Responsible Use Policy (RUP)

Grades 6-12

2020-2021

Internet access* is available for all students only as an educational resource.

- I will not go to websites that are not appropriate for learning.
- I will inform a teacher immediately if any inappropriate sites are accessed while I am online.
- I will not attempt to bypass the Internet filter to access a blocked website.
- I will not remotely access computers outside the system's network.

**Internet access is provided on-campus for all students. These policies also apply when using district-issued devices off-campus through other public or private networks.*

The computer, software, wireless devices, and network are available for all students only as an educational resource.

- I will treat the computers, all devices, and hardware with respect and not cause damage to them.
- I will not share my usernames and passwords with anyone nor will I use another student's username and password.
- I will not share my device, charger, or other school-issued equipment with others.
- I will transport my device using my school-issued sleeve and handle my device using communicated procedures.
- I will not access, alter, or delete another person's information/files on any computer or device.
- I will follow copyright law in my projects and give credit to my resources (authors and/or websites).
- I understand that teachers and administrators may monitor all student activities on the network and devices on and off campus.
- I will not use the device to illegally distribute, install, or reproduce copyrighted materials.
- I will not use the device to facilitate any illegal activity, or use it for commercial or for-profit use.
- I will not use the computer network to attempt to gain unauthorized or unlawful access to other computers, computer systems, or accounts.
- I will not utilize school district or individual school names, logos, or trademarks without permission.
- I understand that students are responsible for storing and backing up their own data.

School-issued devices are set-up and the software programs are selected for all students only as an educational resource.

- I will not download, install, or remove software/apps or media without permission and direction from a teacher. The school takes every precaution to protect the personal information of all students. Students may require accounts to access online resources or applications. Online resources and applications are vetted beforehand to ensure compliance with FERPA with regards to protecting personal information. If additional information is needed, the school will seek the consent from the student and/or parent depending on the circumstances. An active list of vetted resources is located on the school's web page.
- I will not personalize the external appearance of my school-issued device.
- I will not change the district settings on my device.
- I will not remove the asset tag or any licensing tags or manufacturers stickers from the bottom of the device.
- I will immediately notify my teacher, the building level technology coordinator, or designee if I identify a security problem or other issue on a technological resource, and I will not demonstrate the problem to others.

Good Digital Citizenship should be practiced on and off campus.

- I will only use online communication (email, instant messaging, chat rooms, blogs, wikis, etc.) for educational purposes on school-issued devices.
- I understand that all school-issued email communications are stored and may be accessed and examined by teachers and administrators at any time.
- I will always use proper and appropriate language and my best writing skills (including adhering to copyright policies).
- I will never give or post personal information (my name, address, telephone number, etc.) to someone online.
- I will never use online communication to harass or bully anyone.
- I will not engage in creating, intentionally viewing, accessing, downloading, storing, printing, or transmitting content that is obscene, profane, pornographic, harassing, abusive, or considered harmful to minors.
- I understand that I should not share or post pictures or recordings of other individuals without their consent (or parental consent for minors).

Personal Devices should be only used as an educational resource (cell phone, Kindle, iPad, etc.)

- I will only use personal wireless devices at school with teacher permission and supervision or during designated times determined by the administration.
- I will accept all responsibility if my device is lost, stolen, or damaged.
- Teachers and administrators have a right to examine any personal device at any time.
- My teachers and or my school may set additional requirements and restrictions for personal devices.

School Email

University School may provide students with a **closed-campus** email account.

Email usage may be monitored and archived. There is no expectation of privacy with school email accounts.

If I don't follow the RUP:

- I may lose the privilege of using computers, personal devices, and/or the Internet at school.
- I may lose the privilege of taking a device off-campus.
- I understand that I may be held financially responsible for any deliberate or negligent damage to equipment and for loss or theft of the equipment while in my possession or when I am charged with its care (see below).
- I understand that the administration will determine disciplinary and/or financial consequences for Responsible Use Policy (RUP) violations.
- I understand that certain willful misuse may result in criminal prosecution under applicable state and federal law.

School-Issued Device Damage Charge Information

Damage caused by willful or deliberate actions would be the financial responsibility of the family (repair or replacement cost).

I have read and agree to the University School Responsible Use Policy

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