



Weddington Hills Elementary School Student/Family Technology User Agreement



As our Wildcat families embark on this new age of learning, it is extremely important that staff and students are mindful about the necessary steps to ensure that student safety and student privacy are at the forefront of our educational practices. It is even more vital that our students continue to uphold the standards of the district and our school by modeling the characteristics of a good Digital Citizen. Being a good Digital Citizen means that while students are on the internet and using CCS devices, they will model appropriate behavior that is outlined in the CCS Student Code of Conduct. Students are also in charge of conducting themselves in a way that is safe, responsible, and respectful when traveling through the online world. The same rules and expectations that apply for online learning, also apply to the students on Weddington Hills campus. Please review the following expectations carefully with your student.

Device Reminders:

- I understand that the equipment on loan is the property of Cabarrus County Schools. It is a privilege and not a right.
- I understand that this equipment is being provided to me to better meet my educational goals. Therefore, I agree to abide by the guidelines regarding inappropriate use of the internet and understand that I am not permitted to download any music, games, videos, etc.
- I understand that the only person authorized to download or install software on this device is the classroom teacher or Technology Facilitator/Technology Center.
- I understand the equipment will be returned to Cabarrus County when requested by my teacher or in the event that I move out of the county, graduate, or persons involved deem that the equipment is no longer warranted or in the event that the equipment is misused or abused.
- I understand that any damages caused to the equipment due to normal use will be the responsibility of the school district. Damage to the equipment due to neglect or misuse will be the responsibility of the student/parent. Students must report any damage or problems to the teacher immediately for documentation and/or repair.
- I understand that any violations of the Acceptable Use Policy or equipment guidelines may result in disciplinary referrals to the principal. Serious violations such as threatening, hacking, intimidating, cyberbullying or harassing others may result in more severe penalties up to and including expulsion from Cabarrus County Schools.
- I understand that students/parents may not borrow or use another student's laptop and/or borrow power adapters or laptop batteries from another student's laptop.
- I understand that the teacher has sole discretion over student use of laptops in their classroom/online learning. Teachers may inspect student laptops, and any files and folders.
- Use of any information obtained through the Internet is at the user's own risk. Cabarrus County Schools specifically denies any responsibility or liability for any phone charges, line charges, usage fees, or for any damages a user may suffer. Students should have an expectation of privacy when using school network systems, or electronic communication resources. This includes, but is not limited to monitoring, viewing, and accessing: Internet sites, E-mail activities, and network activities and accounts.
- I understand that I must follow all copyright laws regarding hardware and software.
- I understand that all labels and CCS asset tags should remain on the device at all times.
- Consequences will be strictly enforced at all times. Students should NEVER gain access to other student files, unless given the teacher's permission to do so.

Consequences:

Unlawful computer usage includes, but is not limited to threats, cyber bullying, accessing social media sites where the minimum age limit is 13, accessing explicit content (language included) and/ or logging into other students' accounts. Minimum consequences are outlined below. More severe consequences may be issued depending on the severity and nature of the offense. These are at the discretion of the administrators. Incidents of cyber bullying will be referred to administration.

** Students are responsible for making up all work during loss of device privileges. This could include alternate assignments and/or extended due dates at the discretion of the teacher.**

Damages:

When damage occurs to a computer that is outside the realm of normal wear and tear, students/parents will be held financially responsible. Instances of damage due to misuse or neglect on the student's part will be documented and the student will be charged. This includes damage caused to other students' computers incurred by negligence or misuse. Any damages will be charged at the rates below.

- **Instances of minor damage will incur a charge of \$25.00.** The CCS technology department will determine the severity of the damage.
- **Instances of major damage will incur a charge of \$75.00.** The CCS technology department will determine the severity of the damage.

CCS also reserves the right to charge additional fees if it is deemed necessary due to major neglect or intentional damage. Students will be responsible for replacing any non-returned equipment. **The replacement cost of a lost ChromeBook is \$250.00. The replacement cost of a lost power adapter is \$40.00.**



TECHNOLOGY EXPECTATIONS



**BE
RESPECTFUL**

- Monitor appropriate volume levels
- Use devices with permission and as assigned times
- Log on to your account only
- Communicate kindly in and out of school
- Give proper credit when using others' work

**BE
RESPONSIBLE**

- Stay on appropriate and approved sites
- Charge your device daily
- Think before your type
- Use your device for academic purposes only
- Protect private information

**BE
SAFE**

- Hold devices with two hands in a closed position
- Report inappropriate content to a trusted adult
- Keep devices away from food and drinks
- Balance your time on your device
- Take care of the device. NO slamming or hitting screen or lid

*** By signing below, I agree to the policies and expectations stated in this document. ***

Student Name: _____ Student Signature: _____ Date

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____ Date
