

# Lafayette County School District Student Technology Device Agreement

**Access and Support:** This Agreement is entered into between Lafayette County School District, and the Student and the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of the Student.

1. **Introduction:** Lafayette County School District provides each student a device (i.e., laptop, Chromebook, or iPad) which the student is to use as a positive learning tool in coordination with the District's curriculum. Although this Agreement authorizes the student's use of the device for the year, the device is the property of the District and must be returned upon the District's request or on the last day of the student's attendance for the school year.
2. **Prerequisites to Receive:** To receive a device to use, the student and his or her parent/guardian must sign and submit to this Student Technology Device Agreement.
3. **Applicable Policies:** In using the device, the student is subject to and must comply with District's Board of Education Policies, Authorization for Internet Safety and Electronic Device Use Policy Student and Student Handbook Policies addressing student discipline, harassment/bullying, and acceptable use of electronic network/technology and their associated administrative procedures and regulations. A violation of any of these policies could result in loss of network privileges, loss of right to use the device, or appropriate discipline, up to and including suspension or expulsion.

## Expectations

### Students may not:

- a. Disrupt the educational process of the school district through non-educational use of the device;
- b. Endanger the health or safety of themselves or anyone else through the use of the device;
- c. Invade the rights and privacy of others at school through the use of the device;
- d. Engage in illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind through the use of the device; or
- e. Violate the conditions and rules of acceptable use of electronic network/technology.

### Maintenance of device.

- I. Student must keep the device in good and working condition. In addition to following the manufacturer's maintenance requirements, students should:
  - a. Use only a clean, soft cloth to clean the device's screen. No cleansers such as abrasives, alcohol, ammonia, acids or bleach
  - b. Insert and remove cords and cables carefully to prevent damage to connectors;

- c. Do not write or draw on the device or apply any stickers or labels that are not property of the District;
- d. Handle the device carefully and ensure others do the same; Use device on firm surface such as a table or desk
- e. Not leave the device in places of extreme temperature, humidity, or limited ventilation (e.g., in a car) for an extended period of time;
- f. Secure the device when it is out of their sight. The device should not be left in an unlocked locker, a desk, or other location where someone else might take it;
- g. Use a protective carrying case with the device.

**2. Daily Use of Devices.** Unless otherwise instructed, the device is intended for use at school every day. If students are permitted to use the device at home, they are responsible for bringing it to school every day, fully charged.

**3. No Unauthorized Software or Data.** Only legally licensed software, apps, media, or other data is permitted on the device. Students will not download software, apps, media or other data (including songs, photos, or videos) without a District employee's prior approval. Students will not replace the manufacturer's operating system with custom software (i.e., "jailbreak" the device), or remove or modify the District-Installed device configuration.

**4. No Right to Privacy.** The devices are District property; therefore, the District may examine the devices and search their contents at any time for any reason. Neither students nor parents/guardians have any right to privacy of any data saved on the device or in a cloud-based account to which the device connects. The school administration may involve law enforcement, if it is possible the device may have been used for an illegal purpose.

#### **Additional Terms**

- 1. Damage to or Loss of device.** Parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for their child's use of the device, including any damage to or loss of the device.
  - a. **Damage/Theft:** In the event of damage to the device, the parent is responsible for covering the entire replacement cost.
  - b. **Loss:** In the event that the device is lost, the parent

The decision to assess a charge, as well as the amount of any charge, is at the sole discretion of the District, but will not be greater than the full replacement value of the device.

**Replacement cost for New Device: \$262.53**

**Replacement cost for Charger: \$30.00**

**Replacement cost for Backpack: \$13.04**

- 2. Hardware or Functionality Problems.** If a problem arises with the functionality of a student's device, the student must notify his or her classroom teacher of the problem within 24 hours or on the next school day. Under no circumstances may the student or his/her parent(s)/guardian(s) attempt to fix or allow anyone but District staff the attempt to

fix suspected hardware faults or the device's operating system. Do not take the device to any repair shop; the student should report the issue to his/her classroom teacher, who will report it to the District's Technology Department.

3. **Failure to Return the Device.** If a student fails to return the device and any assigned accessories as directed, the District may, in addition to seeking reimbursement from the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), file a theft report with local law enforcement authorities.
4. **Internet Filter Outside of School.** Although the District employs Internet filters and monitors students' Internet activity at school, it may not filter or monitor students' Internet access at home or off school grounds. By signing this Agreement, parent(s)/guardian(s) understand and acknowledge this and agree that their child's use of the Internet on the device at home or off of school grounds is at the discretion of, and should be monitored by, the parent(s)/guardian(s). Some sites accessible via the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, or offensive to some people. Parent(s)/guardian(s) assume complete responsibility for the Internet access beyond the network provided by the District. When using the device outside the District, students are bound by the same policies, procedures, and guidelines as in school.
5. **Data as Records.** Data saved to the device is not maintained by the District as public records or as student records. In the event this data needs to be maintained by the District for any reason, the District will take affirmative steps to preserve it.

**Note:** By signing this agreement, the parent and student acknowledge that in order to receive the school issued technology device, the Lafayette County School District Student Technology Device Agreement must be read, acknowledged, and signed by the parent or guardian of the minor student user, or if the student user is over eighteen (18).

