

## St. Luke Lutheran School Technology Use Agreement 2020-2021

Our students are instructed in the use of technology. Internet access is available through our computer network. We have purchased software which screens inappropriate material from being accessed on our computers. This software is automatically updated every day. However, it is not foolproof. Students are responsible for good behavior on school computers just as they are in a classroom or school hallway. Access is a privilege--not a right. Access entails responsibility. Communications on the computers are often public in nature. General school rules for behavior and communications apply. The computer is provided for students to access and store educationally relevant material and to conduct research. Computer access is given to students who agree to act in a responsible manner. Technology will be used in ways consistent with our school philosophy and the Christian faith we profess.

1. Students may not view sites that compromise our Christian principles. Any websites that are found to be questionable should be immediately reported to the teacher.
2. Technology may not be used to harm other people. Examples:
  - Harassing or degrading messages
  - Bearing false witness or spreading rumors
  - Posting anonymous messages or personal communications
  - Using or viewing profane, abusive or impolite sites, material or language
3. Students may not interfere with other's computer work.
  - Degrading or disrupting equipment, software, or system performance
  - Vandalizing the files of others
  - Changing system settings, using obscene or inappropriate file names
  - Students may not snoop in other's computer files (invading the privacy of others).
4. Students will store files only as directed and approved by the teacher. Student use of the internet is restricted to research related to curricular studies. Students are not permitted to play games, download files or print files that are not related to a specific school project.
5. Technology may not be used to plagiarize. Students may not use the resources of others without permission.
6. Technology resources may be used only with the teacher's permission.
7. Teachers may review student files at any time.
8. Students may not load software or files into school computers without the teacher's permission.
9. Students may not use another person's password.
10. Students may not give out his/her name, address, or phone number.
11. Student e-mail access is prohibited unless teacher approved.
12. The privacy of St. Luke students and their families will be respected at all times. Students may not under any circumstances post any school-related photos, events or information of any kind on the internet or use another person's image. This includes Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, or any other social media, personal websites, memes, etc. Parents/guardians and other family members may not post any school-related photos, events or information online without obtaining parental permission from all parties depicted. The school is not responsible for privacy infringements from any photos or materials posted by parents/guardians

Violations may result in the loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.

I agree to St. Luke Lutheran School's acceptable use guidelines as outlined above. Further, I will strive to act in all situations with honesty, integrity, and respect for the rights of others and to help others behave in a similar fashion. In the use of electronic communications and the internet, I will strive to apply to the best of my ability, Philippians 4:8: *"Finally brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—If anything is excellent or praiseworthy—Think about such things."*

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

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_