

BRITTEN SCHOOL

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Student Technology Contract

The use of computers and other technology at Britten School is a privilege with responsibility. Failure to abide by the following guidelines may result in revoking the privilege or further consequences.

- Do not attempt to modify the appearance or operation of any technology equipment. This includes, but is not limited to, commands, copying or installing software, setting passcode locks, or copying files of any type. Each one should remain in its original or teacher-set configuration.
- Tampering with or vandalizing hardware, software, or data will not be tolerated. It is each student's responsibility to check the computer before and after use and to report problems to the teacher immediately.
- Students will only use applications, software, and programs required to complete assignments/projects, and only those that have been approved by the teacher of the current class. Failure to stay "on task" may result in loss of technology privileges and/or further disciplinary actions, including but not limited to failure-related class. Students should not use school equipment to play online or video games. Britten School utilizes an ongoing monitoring system called "Securly".
- No food or drink is allowed near any technology equipment at Britten School.
- Students may use the Internet only when authorized, and they must abide by the conditions of the Britten School Internet Acceptable Use Policy.
- A student using the Internet may visit only teacher-approved sites. Unapproved game sites are not allowed.
 - No websites, software, apps, or media should be printed, shared, emailed, or downloaded without teacher approval.
- I understand that if I violate any of the rules stated above or perform any other disruptive technology-related actions, I will be subject to loss of technology privileges, will receive a written referral, and may be subject to further administrative discipline actions.
- AI will be used responsibly in ways that follow school/classroom rules only when instructed to do so on an assignment. Overuse or inappropriate use of AI will be considered plagiarism and treated as such.

Print Student Name _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____

I have read and understand the Student Acceptable Use Policy and this contract. I give my consent for my child to use technology at Britten School.

Parent Name _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Britten School

Student Acceptable Use Policy

Terms and Conditions:

Acceptable Use:

Access to Britten School's network resources, including the Internet, must be for the purpose of education or research, and be consistent with the educational objectives of the school. Transmission of any material in violation of United States or state statute or regulation is strictly prohibited. This includes but is not limited to copyright or trade secret material, threatening or obscene material, and criminal activity. The use of the network resources for commercial activities, product solicitations, or political lobbying is also prohibited. Inappropriate use will be reported to the responsible authorities.

Privilege:

The use of Britten School's network resources, including the Internet, is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in cancellation of those privileges. The appropriate faculty will make decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated the acceptable use policy.

Security:

Users of the network resources agree not to violate or attempt to violate system security or intentionally interfere with the system performance, or to access another person's account, files or password. Individuals may be denied access to the system based upon security violations. Any user identified as a security risk may be denied access to the network.

No warranties:

Britten School makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. Britten School will not be responsible for any damages. This includes loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, missed deliveries, or service interruptions caused by negligence or user errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the authorized user's own risk. Britten School specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.

No Expectation of Privacy:

All technological resources, along with associated network wiring and management devices, are owned in their entirety by Britten School. All information, correspondence and communication contained in the files that reside on Britten School's technological resources, or that were sent or received using school Technology resources, are owned by Britten School. Therefore: Users waive their right to privacy with respect to their files and communications and consent to access and disclosure to them by authorized school personnel.

WARNING:

The taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal image or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or otherwise (commonly called texting, sexting, emailing, etc.) may constitute a CRIME under state and/or federal law. Any person taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or photographs will be reported to law enforcement and/or other appropriate state or federal agencies, which may result in arrest, criminal prosecution, and LIFETIME inclusion on sexual offender registries.

Some examples of unacceptable uses are:

- Using the network for any illegal activity, including violation of copyright or other contracts, or transmitting any material in violation of any U.S. or State Law.
- Unauthorized installation of software, regardless of whether it is copyrighted or de-licensed including the unauthorized installation of software.
- Downloading copyrighted material for other than personal use.
- Using the network for private financial or commercial gain.
- Wastefully using resources, such as file space.
- Gaining unauthorized access to resources or entities.
- Invading the privacy of individuals.
- Using another user's account or password.
- Posting material authorized or created by another without his/her consent.
- Posting anonymous messages.
- Using the network for commercial or private advertising.
- Accessing, submitting, posting, publishing, or displaying any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, harassing, or illegal material.

Network Etiquette:

The user is expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Be polite. Do not become abusive in messages to others.
- Use appropriate language. Do not swear or use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language.

- Do not reveal the personal addresses or telephone numbers of students or yourself.
- Recognize that electronic mail (e-mail) is not private. Anyone operating the network has access to all mail. Message relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.
- Use of e-mail for sharing jokes, chain letters, and other inappropriate material is not consistent with the use of the tool for educational purposes. Any of these actions may result in a loss of privileges.
- Do not use the network in any way that would disrupt its use by other users.
- Consider all communications and information accessible via the network to be private property.

All use of the Britten School network resources shall be consistent with the goal of promoting educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. It is further understood that should a student willfully or with gross negligence commit any violation, access privileges may be revoked, and school disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

Internet Filtering:

Britten School subscribes to an Internet filtering system, as required by the federal Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), to filter out sites with content considered unacceptable for educational use. While using Britten School's technology resources, no user may attempt to bypass this filtering system or attempt to access the Internet in any other way.

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