



TECHNOLOGY and CELL PHONE POLICIES

Maintaining appropriate iPad, Computer and Internet etiquette is required of all students. The following Agreement must be read, understood and signed by both Parents and Students in order for student to be allowed to utilize a computer, SMARTBoard, their own iPad and/or be allowed access to the Internet.

CELL PHONE, COMPUTER or iPad USE/ INTERNET ACCESS: Students are strictly prohibited from the following:

1. Using any school computer or SMARTBoard without teacher's permission and direct supervision.
2. Using a cell phone or other communication device at any time, for any reason, without permission; (*in case of emergency, Teacher may hold student's cell phone until student is dismissed.*)
3. Using any device to take photos or videos of other students, campus, faculty or staff at any time.
4. Sending or posting IMs, emails, texts, Instagrams, Tweets, Skype, Facetime, Facebook, etc. before/during/after school, while on a bus or during any Field Trip or Extra-Curricular event.
5. Using foul or sexually explicit language and/or inappropriate, threatening, abusive or explicit language in texts, emails, IM messages, etc., including photos with sexual content.
6. Participating in any group chat room, Instagram, Twitter or any other Social Media site while on school property.
7. Disclosing via email, text, IM, etc. any type of personal information, including submission of inappropriate photographs/videos.
8. Downloading and/or accessing unauthorized or non-educational websites, iPad APPS, e-mails or attachments of any kind.
9. Playing or downloading non-educational, unauthorized APP games on their iPad at any time.
10. "Hacking" into any program.

NOTE: We strongly urge our Parents to continuously monitor computer/iPad usage at home since students may face serious consequences at school for inappropriate actions or bullying against other Highpoint students or Teachers/Staff even when utilizing their cell phone, computer or iPad outside of school grounds.

CONSEQUENCES FOR IMPROPER USE OF CELL PHONE/COMPUTER/INTERNET/IPAD:

Students that fail to abide by our established acceptable use policies will face immediate consequences. Depending on the circumstances, these may include ONE OR MORE of the following:

1. Prohibiting access to the Internet at school.
2. Student's iPad and/or CELL PHONE may be confiscated and not returned until the end of the school year.
3. Saturday morning, Early Morning or After-School Detention.
4. Indoor or Outdoor Suspension.
5. Expulsion.

CONSEQUENCES FOR CYBER BULLYING/HARASSMENT OR THREATS

Highpoint has **zero-tolerance for bullying** and harassment of any kind (see HBULLYING and HARASSMENT POLICIES.) If there is evidence that a student has bullied, harassed or threatened another Student, Teacher or Staff Member on-line, in a chat room, on any Social Network site, via e-mail or phone text, instant messaging, etc. student will face immediate consequences, including possibility of expulsion.

PARENT STATEMENT (*all Students must have this signed form in their files*):

I/we hereby give consent for my son/daughter to access the Internet at Highpoint Academy, Inc. I/we have read and clearly understand the rules for usage and the consequences for use of a cell phone and for improper use of a Computer, iPad and/or Internet access. I have read the iPad Program Information, Rules and Policies. **I give permission for Highpoint's Faculty/Administration to inspect my child's iPad, access their personal information, including downloads, texts, IM's, emails, photos, APPS, etc. and/or all Social Media postings.** I'm aware of the serious consequences my child will face if there is evidence that he/she has used devices in school inappropriately or has bullied, threatened or harassed a Student, Teacher or Staff member, whether from home or from school. I hereby hold Highpoint Academy, Inc., its owners and employees harmless of any responsibility with regard to my child's unauthorized use of inappropriate on-line sites that he/she may access without permission or authorization.

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Date: _____

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