



iPAD, CELL PHONE & COMPUTER/INTERNET USE POLICIES

These Policies and Agreement must be read, understood and signed by both Parents and Students in order for student to be allowed to utilize their own iPad, computer, SMARTBoard, and/or be allowed access to the Internet.

CELL PHONES/ COMMUNICATION DEVICES:

1. Using a cell phone or other similar communication device at any time, for any reason, without permission is prohibited.
2. Students that must bring a cell phone to school for after-hours use, must turn off phone and give it to the Receptionist at the Main Office before class starts in the morning.
3. Wearing or bringing to school a Smart Watch of any kind, including the Apple iWatch.

iPAD/COMPUTER/INTERNET USE POLICIES *(violation of any of these policies will have consequences as described below*):*

1. Only school-authorized educational Apps, PDF's and E-Books may be installed in the iPad the student brings to school.
2. iPads with 3G or 4G access must have cellular data turned OFF at all times.
3. Downloading and/or accessing unauthorized or non-educational websites, inappropriate Apps, e-mails, mobile games or attachments of any kind is strictly prohibited. These include aggressive mobile games or Apps or Game Apps with inappropriate language; (such as kill, death, slaughter, murder, bombs, shoot, guns, sex, etc.), sexually explicit sites and/or augmented reality games such as Snapchat, WallaMe, Pokemon Go, etc.
4. Accessing any social media apps from iPad or any other device of any kind while in school is prohibited. These include: Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, WhatsApp, Tumblr, Snapchat, Musicality, Periscope, Kit Messenger or other similar sites
5. Chatting, e-mailing, tweeting, or instant messaging with anyone at any time while inside the Campus, athletic fields, Southern Estates Park, sub-contracted school bus/van or during any Field Trip or Extra-Curricular event is prohibited.
6. Using iPad or any other device to take photos or videos of other students, faculty or staff at any time without the Teacher's direct authorization and permission is prohibited.
7. Sending, posting, or forwarding inappropriate, threatening, abusive, malicious, sexually explicit or harassing content via e-mail, text messages, online message boards, and/or chat rooms to any student or teacher will be considered cyberbullying and will not be tolerated.
8. Accessing or downloading any YouTube or Netflix video without Teacher's direct authorization and permission is prohibited.
9. Borrowing or using another student's iPad or allowing another Student to borrow or use their iPad is prohibited.
10. Disclosing any type of personal information, including submission of inappropriate photographs or videos, on-line or via cell phone, iPad or computer is prohibited.
11. Accessing or communicating with Parents through cell phone, iPad or computer, including via iCloud accounts, e-mails, texts, IM or other personal apps is prohibited.

NOTE: Parents are encouraged to purchase an iPad **with wi-fi only** for their child to use exclusively for academics at home and school. Parents must 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. Parents are urged to not share their personal passwords with their child at any time.

*** CONSEQUENCES FOR IMPROPER/UNAUTHORIZED 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 Student to use an iPad before, during or after school.
2. Confiscating Student's iPad and/or CELL PHONE. Device may not be 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 BULLYING 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 Media site, via e-mail or phone text, instant messaging, etc. student will face immediate consequences, including possibility of expulsion.

PARENT STATEMENT ~ AGREEMENT *(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 and delete inappropriate contents.** 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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