



TECHNOLOGY, iPADS, SOCIAL MEDIA and CELL PHONE POLICIES

All students in K-8th Grade must have an iPad that will be used exclusively for E-books and Curriculum Resources. All other games and apps will be deleted prior to the 1st day of school. 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 electronically in order for student to be allowed to utilize a computer, our Interactive Board, their own iPad, and/or be allowed access to the Internet.

CELL PHONE, COMPUTER or iPad USE/ INTERNET ACCESS:

Only age-appropriate, educational APPS may be installed in a child's iPad. Students are strictly prohibited from the following:

1. Using a cell phone, iPad, or other similar communication device at any time, for any reason, without permission. (*Cell phones brought to school must be turned off and turned in at the Main Office before class starts in the morning.*)
2. Sharing or lending their iPad to another student at any time, for any reason.
3. Wearing or bringing a Smart Watch of any kind to school, including the Apple iWatch.
4. Downloading, sending, showing, viewing and/or accessing inappropriate, or sexually explicit photos, videos, unauthorized or non-educational websites, inappropriate APPS, e-mails, games or attachments of any kind is prohibited. These include aggressive APPS with inappropriate language or photos that contain: KILL, DEATH, SLAUGHTER, MURDER, SHOOT, GUNS, KNIVES, etc.) and virtual Apps such as Snapchat, TiKTok, etc.
5. Accessing ANY Chat group or email, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat, Discord, Musical.ly or other similar site from their iPad or other device.
6. Chatting, emailing or instant messaging at any time inside the campus, athletic fields, school bus/van or during any field trip or extra-curricular event.
7. Using their iPad to place a phone call, record and/or take photos or videos of other students, faculty or staff at any time.
8. Sending or posting inappropriate, threatening, abusive, sexually explicit or harassing e-mails, photos or text messages to any student or teacher via email or any Social Network site.
9. Accessing or downloading any photos or videos (*i.e. YouTube, Netflix, etc.*) without Teacher's direct authorization.
10. Disclosing any type of personal information, including submission of inappropriate photographs or videos, on-line or via cell phone.
11. Accessing Parent or Teacher's private iCloud accounts, e-mails or other personal APPS.

NOTE: We strongly urge our Parents to create a separate account, not share their passwords with child, and **continuously monitor computer/iPad usage at home.** Students may face serious consequences at school for inappropriate actions or bullying against other Highpoint students or Teachers/Staff even when utilizing another cell phone, computer or iPad outside of school grounds. These include:

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

Students who 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 a **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 Network site, via e-mail or phone text, instant messaging, etc., student will face immediate consequences, including expulsion.