



ST GEORGE ACADEMY

INDIVIDUALIZED UNIVERSITY PREPARATION

SGA Technology Acceptable Use Agreement

Students are responsible for appropriate behavior on St George Academy computers, chromebooks and networks just as they are in a classroom or in a school hallway. General SGA rules for behavior apply. Students are expected to respect instructors and their peers. Specific guidelines for computer may also exist for individual classrooms or computer labs.

In order to facilitate a wholistic, collaborative educational experience for every student, parents and guardians are responsible for supervision of Internet use outside SGA, and for setting and conveying standards that their children should follow when using electronic resources.

Acceptable Uses of Computers and Networks

Students will use electronic information resources to:

- Access global educational resources
- Broaden their research capabilities by using primary sources
- Develop higher level thinking skills
- Differentiate and evaluate available sources of information
- Gain essential skills needed for the 21st century
- Turn in assignments, collaborate on assignments, and communicate about assignments
- Access assignments that are online

Unacceptable Uses of Computers and Networks

The following behaviors are examples of unacceptable uses:

- Sending, receiving, or displaying offensive messages or pictures
- Using obscene language or gestures, including degrading slurs or jokes
- Using computer resources for purposes without clear educational value (playing games, looking for music, watching entertainment videos, etc)
- Threatening, harassing, insulting, or attacking others
- Damaging computers or any items relating to computer systems, either physically or by altering software with viruses, “worms,” or similar objects
- Violating copyright laws or revealing trade secrets
- Using another person’s password, disclosing one’s own password to others, or impersonating someone else
- Trespassing in another person’s folders, work, or files
- Intentionally wasting resources (such as network bandwidth and disk space)
- Using computing resources for non-school-related commercial purposes and/or transactions
- Using computing resources for illegal purposes
- Users shall not attempt to bypass or disable St. George Academy content filters

Caring for your Chromebook

If you are issued a school chromebook, the following behaviors are expected:

- **Stickers or personalization of the equipment is not allowed.**
- **Do not leave the chromebook in a hot vehicle.**
- **Keep the machine clean and away from food or drink.**
- **If the charger is lost or damaged, the student will be charged \$35 replacement fee**
- **If the chromebook is lost or damaged, the student will be charged a \$220 replacement fee**

Consequences of Disregarding this Agreement

- Violations will result in loss of access to both SGA computers, chromebooks and Internet
- Additional disciplinary action may be determined with existing practice regarding inappropriate language or behavior.
- When appropriate, law enforcement agencies will be notified.

Student Acknowledgment

I have received, read, understand, and agree to abide by this Acceptable Use Agreement and other applicable laws and district policies and regulations governing the use of school technology. I understand that there is no expectation of privacy when using school technology. I further understand that any violation may result in loss of user privileges, disciplinary action, and/or appropriate legal action.

Student Name: _____ (Please Print)

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____ Grade: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Acknowledgment

As the parent/guardian of the above-named student, I have read, understand, and agree that my child shall comply with the terms of the Acceptable Use Agreement. By signing this Agreement, I give permission for my child to use school technology and/or to access the school's computer network and the Internet. I understand that, despite the school's best efforts, it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all offensive and controversial materials. I agree to release from liability, indemnify, and hold harmless the school, district, and district personnel against all claims, damages, and costs that may result from my child's use of school technology. Further, I accept full responsibility for supervision of my child's use of their access account if and when such access is not in the school setting.

Parent Name: _____ (Please Print)

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____