

TECHNOLOGY USAGE AGREEMENT

Immanuel Lutheran School * 2022-2023

Technology is a gift from God to be used wisely. Immanuel Lutheran School is committed to empowering students to use technology for the purpose of educational and spiritual growth. Access to school technology is a privilege granted by the school, not an automatic right. In order to utilize the technological materials of Immanuel, all users are required to sign this agreement every school year.

As stated in the School Handbook, students may use personal devices (phones, tablets, ereaders, cameras, etc.) for specific projects or activities. These personal devices are to be used ONLY under the direction and supervision of the teacher and ONLY for educational purposes. Please be aware that the teachers and staff of Immanuel Lutheran School are NOT responsible for personal devices brought to school. Should a parent allow a student to bring a personal device to school, they do so at their own risk of loss, theft, or damage.

Chromebooks with cases are provided to students of Immanuel Lutheran School in grades 3 through 8. Students are responsible for taking care of these machines as they are the property of Immanuel Lutheran School. Chromebooks may be used at school and taken home to be worked on there. Whenever not in use the chromebook MUST be in a case. Cases will be provided by the school in the beginning of the year to each student. Damage that happens to chromebooks due to abuse or neglect or students found carrying chromebooks without the case may be required to pay for any damage to the machine including the cost to ship and repair the unit. The use of chromebooks is intended for scholastic purposes only. Please use personal devices for gaming, etc. All Internet usage on a chromebook is tracked through the serial number of the machine and accessible for staff to monitor. If at any time a student is found to be using the chromebook in a way that violates Immanuel's technology agreement the privilege of using a chromebook may be suspended or terminated and further consequences may ensue. At the end of 8th grade students may be able to purchase and keep the chromebook.

NOTE: The following stipulations are to be viewed as addendums to regular school policy. General school expectations and individual classroom expectations are always in effect. Violations of this policy may result in loss of privileges in addition to disciplinary or legal consequences. As stated in the School Handbook, students, and ultimately parents, are responsible and must pay for damage to school property. **These expectations apply to all school devices utilized on school grounds or elsewhere.** Additionally, these expectations also apply to all personal devices brought to school for educational use. The teacher in direct supervision of the students will always have the final say on any issue.

Students will...

1. Use school technology only with the direct personal supervision of a teacher
2. Perform actions deemed acceptable by the general standards of our faith and our school
3. Treat equipment with care and respect
4. Utilize appropriate websites, applications, and programs for educational purposes
5. Follow teacher guidance and instructions at all times
6. Employ or use the Internet for educational purposes ONLY

Students will not. . .

1. Perform actions which invade the privacy of or alter data of another party
2. Send or display potentially offensive material of any type
3. Use technology to harass, insult, or attack others
4. Alter the settings of any device in any way
5. Violate copyright or any other laws
6. Download any material from the Internet without specific instructions to do so from a teacher
7. Provide any party with personal information about themselves or others
8. Engage in any form of communication with any party not previously approved by the teacher

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I have read and understand the above expectations for the use of Technology at Immanuel Lutheran School. I understand that the use of technology is a privilege that may be revoked at any time if these expectations are not followed. I hereby agree to comply with the above stated expectations and guidelines and accept the authority of the school to supervise my use of school technology.

Student Signature

Date

I have read and understand the above expectations for the use of Technology at Immanuel Lutheran School. I understand that the use of technology is a privilege that may be revoked at any time if these expectations are not followed. I hereby agree to have my child comply with the guidelines and accept the authority of the school to supervise my child's use of school technology. I understand that I must take responsibility for my student's actions according to school policy. I also understand that it is impossible for Immanuel's staff to monitor or restrict access to all controversial materials, but that the school will make every reasonable effort to shield students from such material. Should I later become concerned, I understand that I can terminate this approval by contacting the principal at Immanuel Lutheran School.

Signature of parent (or legal guardian)

Date