

HCS NETWORK, INTERNET, CHROMEBOOK, AND GOOGLE APPS FOR EDUCATION ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY and EDUCATION GUIDELINES

“Our world belongs to God” is one of the core beliefs of Hudsonville Christian School. One aspect of our world that is rapidly changing is technology. Technology is no longer something that stands alone; it is something that is a part of almost every aspect of our lives whether we like it or not. Technology is quickly becoming an additional ‘T’ to be added to time, treasure, and talent as something that is part of our daily life that we can offer to God. Another core belief of Hudsonville Christian school is “Challenging minds and lives for Christ” in order for students to go into the world that belongs to God and make an impact in the name of Christ. Learning to engage with technology in a Christian way and using technology to honor and glorify God need to be an essential and integrated part of our curriculum as we move into the future. HCS is pleased to offer a 1:1 Chromebook program for all middle school students in grades 6 - 8.

Before a Chromebook is issued, students and parents/guardians of those students will sign and return this form, and comply with and agree to all of the following:

- 1. I agree that everything I do with technology will be consistent with the mission statement of HCS namely “Challenging Minds and Lives for Christ”.**
- 2. I agree that the use of computers at HCMS is a privilege and not a right. That privilege can be lost with any misuse. If inappropriate conduct does occur, the use of my chromebook will be forfeited, my parents will be notified and appropriate disciplinary measures (determined by school staff) will be administered.**
- 3. I understand that my chromebook is to be used as an educational tool during class time and agree that settings, Internet browsing, apps and games are not to be used or changed during class without a teacher’s permission.**
- 4. I understand that although printing from the chromebook is possible, it can be a challenge. If I need to print something, I understand I may have to do it from another device.**
- 5. I agree that my networking account and password are for my use. It is not to be shared nor am I to use accounts that belong to others.**
- 6. I understand it is my responsibility to bring my Chromebook to school everyday fully charged.**
- 7. I will report problems with my Chromebook to HCMS technology staff in a timely manner and understand that even though my Chromebook repairs are covered, my family is responsible for all deductible and/or replacement costs of my Chromebook and/or accessories for damages sustained due to accident, abuse or negligence.**
- 8. I agree that any staff member may view anything on my computer. If by accident I encounter inappropriate material, I must tell a teacher immediately.**
- 9. I will turn in my Chromebook at the end of my 6th and 7th grade school years so it can be refreshed for the next school year.**
- 10. I, the parent, understand that I am responsible for my child’s use of this device outside of the middle school, and that when they leave HCS the chromebook and its use becomes the sole responsibility of the parents.**
- 11. I have read and agree with the statements regarding *Google Apps for Education Guidelines* on the reverse side of this sheet.**

