

Turlock Christian Schools

Acceptable Use Policy for Technology

The primary goal of incorporating technology into the school environment is to support the educational and instructional needs of Turlock Christian School students and employees. Technology includes all devices owned by the school or individual as well as hardware, software, electronic data communication networks, telephone lines, video projector units, TV's, document cameras, video cameras, printers, Chromebooks, IPADs, *etc.* Turlock Christian Schools offers a campus-wide high-speed network and Internet access for Chromebook users, iPads and school-issued equipment. Our goal in providing these services for the school community is to promote educational excellence in our curriculum through increasing available resources, help students responsibly navigate these resources and to enable communication between students, faculty, and family.

Using the school's network on and off campus is a privilege. As such, it is the responsibility of all users to use these services appropriately and in compliance with Turlock Christian Schools Policy, Ethics and Handbook. The following are expectations for use of the TCS network. This list is not all-inclusive and may be modified at any time. Anything that violates the TCS goal of providing educational and Christian leadership training through the use of technology for students, staff, and faculty may result in the loss of network access and possible disciplinary action.

General Behavior Policies

1. Be prepared to be held accountable for your personal actions. Exemplary behavior is expected for all users at all times.
2. When using TCS resources, there is no expectation of privacy including email, etc.
3. All devices on campus - whether school or personally owned - and accounts, must be given up for inspection when requested by a staff member of TCS.
4. Students are expected to notify staff if materials that violate the school system's code of conduct are encountered.
5. Do not use a computer or the Internet to hurt, harass, attack, or harm other people or their work, on or off campus.
6. Do not damage the network or any technology owned by the school or another student.
7. Do not use the TCS Internet for illegal or immoral activities, on or off campus.
8. Do not violate copyright laws (<http://www.copyrightkids.org/copyrightbasics.html>).

9. Do not view, send, or display obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, racist, sexist, disrespectful, threatening, or inflammatory language, messages, symbols, or pictures.
10. Use only your password and do not share your personal password with another student.
11. Do not access another student's work, folders, or files without authorization.
12. Do not interfere with or disrupt network users, services, TCS data or data of another student or organization, or equipment, on or off campus.
- 13. Do not use any device to make an audio or visual recording or image without the express permission of a teacher, staff, and all recognizable parties in the recording or image.**
14. The Internet is monitored and filtered, exceeding the requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000 (<http://www.fcc.gov/guides/childrens-internet-protection-act>). It is our desire to keep material that is harmful to minors and all Biblically-minded individuals blocked from viewing.

Personal Devices

1. Students in grades 7-12 *will be required to* bring their own *Chromebook*, working and charged, to school daily for classroom use.
2. Other types of devices not expressly specified above, are not allowed on the TCS network.
3. All student-owned Chromebooks and classroom devices must use the TCS network while on campus.
4. Chromebooks are not to be shared with other students.
5. TCS is not responsible for theft, damage, or misuse.
6. Devices in grades K-6 are not to be removed from the holding area except under the direct supervision of a staff member.

Cell Phones

Cell phones are not allowed out for any reason during chapel or assembly time. Teachers may allow cell phone use for educational purposes only.

Printed Student Name _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

By signing this Agreement, I agree to the terms and conditions contained within this document.