

Electronics Contract

The purpose of this contract is to create boundaries when using technology to allow for open communication, online safety, and understood expectations.

Child Expectations:

I understand that having electronic devices and the Internet is a privilege and not a right, therefore I am subject to the following rules:

- 1. I will not download anything or install apps, games, or other programs on any of my devices without approval from my parents.
- 2. I will never give out personal information while online, even if it is to someone I know. This includes full name, name of my school, phone number, or address. If someone is asking for personal information, I will ask my parents.
- 3. I understand the difference between friends and online "friends." I will never meet an online "friend" in person unless approved by my parents.
- 4. I understand the responsibility of using technology and that what I share online reflects my character, reputation, family, and future opportunities.
- 5. I will not send hurtful, harassing, or threatening messages or posts on any online communication platform. This includes profanity and offensive language.
- 6. I will not share inappropriate photos or videos online privately or publicly.
- 7. I will not take or share any pictures or videos of anyone without getting their permission first.
- 8. I will abide by the technology timeline rules set by my parents. If I am asked to get off the phone, stop texting, or end a game, I will listen.
- 9. I will not purposefully ignore any calls or texts from my parents. If I miss a call or text, I will respond as soon as possible.
- 10. Unless otherwise approved by my parents, I will not use my electronic devices after ______ on a school night or after _____ on a non-school night.
- 11. I will not use any electronics in the bedroom or bathroom, unless otherwise approved by my parents.
- 12. I understand my schools cell phone policy and will abide by the rules.



- 13. I understand that my parents have the right to look through any of my electronic devices at any time and can do so in my presence.
- 14. I will immediately tell my parents if I see something inappropriate online or have an uncomfortable experience. I understand my parents are willing to help and listen and will not punish me as long as the rules in the Electronic Contract are followed.
- 15. My online account usernames and accounts are as follows:
 - Instagram:
 - Twitter:
 - Snapchat:
 - Facebook:
 - TikTok:
 - Other:

Parent Expectations:

I understand that it is my responsibility to protect my family and to help them receive the best of what electronic devices and the Internet have to offer. In that spirit, I agree to the following:

- 1. I will pay for their devices and their Internet and cell phone plans, unless otherwise agreed upon.
- 2. I will listen calmly. If my child comes to me with a problem related to online experiences, I promise not to get angry but to do my best to help my child resolve the situation.
- 3. I will be reasonable. I will set reasonable rules and expectations for Internet usage. I will establish appropriate consequences for lapses in judgment on the part of my child.
- 4. I will treat my child with dignity. I will respect the friendships that my child may make online as I would offline friends.
- 5. I will not unnecessarily invade my child's privacy, and I will respect it. I promise not to go further than necessary to ensure my child's safety. I will not look through the contents of my child's device(s) unless there is a reasonable concern, and I will do so in their presence.
- 6. I will be reasonable with consequences for violations of this contract.

 Consequences will start at loss of device privileges for 24 hours and progress according to the seriousness of the violation.



- 7. I will not take drastic measures. No matter what happens, I understand that these technologies are important tools which are essential to my child's success in school or business, and I promise not to ban it entirely.
- 8. I will be involved. I will spend time with my child and be a positive part of my child's online activities and relationships—just as I am offline.

This contract is executed on the	day of		, 202
Parent/Guardian Signature		Child Signature	