## **Responsible Use Policy**

The use of school devices and access to internet is a privilege and students must follow the Responsible Use Policies. These policies apply to all devices (laptops, smartphones, tablets and desktops) owned by the school or by students.

## I. Technology Maintenance

- A. Students
- Students must not use personal devices in school. The school is not responsible for damage or loss
- Teachers will assign a device to each student and each user is responsible for the appropriate and responsible use of the device
  - B. Damage
- Physical damage to a device causes financial responsibility
  - C. Internal Maintenance
- Safeguard technology
- Charge device completely at the end of each day
- Label devices
- Install all required software
- Update software after each content unit

#### II. Digital Citizenship

- A. Internet Safety
- Access websites allowed only by teachers
- Do not reveal personal information online
- B. Privacy and Security
  - Access to other people's accounts in any form is not allowed

- Students'emails and other forms of electronic communication may be monitored at any time by designated staff to ensure appropriate use
- All technology devices may only be utilized inside the classroom and under teacher supervision
- Taking photographs or videos of school personnel, students and upload them onto the internet is not permitted

#### C. Relationships and Communication

- 1. Internet
- Internet use is only for educational purposes. Access to facebook, twitter, instagram, or any other social network is prohibited
- Respect data saved on each device to avoid erasing or altering projects' belonging to other students
- Students may not send or read personal emails in school
  - 2. Cyber-Bullying
- Any derogatory, obscene or inappropriate comment in an email, instant messages or web post is prohibited and will be considered cyber-bullying. This action will have consequences.
- D. Creative Credit and Copyright
  - All internet content including images, videos, and articles must be properly cited
- III. The following activities are allowed only by teacher permission and responsible use:
  - Listen to music
  - Watch videos
  - Play games with educational purposes
  - Download images or videos

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- A. Use school internet on your own device
- B. Online gaming
- C. Download videos, images, software or music.
- D. Access inappropriate content (e.g. pornographic material, vulgarity, gambling, hate speech, etc), share, save or display on devices

# V. Consequences

- A. Depending on the situation and the severity, some consequences that may be imposed are:
- Reflection
- Suspension or restricted use of school devices
- In school and out of school suspension
- No internet access

B. In case of repeated faults to the Responsible Use Policy, access to internet and school devices will be canceled for an indefinite period of time.