

Christian Academy of Knoxville
Technology Responsible Use Agreement

2018-2019
Grades PreK-5

PURPOSE

Christian Academy of Knoxville provides technology resources for the school community with a belief that technology is an educational requirement in today's culture. In return, CAK expects students to exercise age-appropriate personal responsibility in their use of these resources. Our goals are to provide access to educational tools and resources, to improve communication, and to encourage innovation and collaboration. Our policies are intended to promote the most effective, safe, productive, and instructionally sound uses of these tools in a manner worthy of Jesus Christ.

EXPECTATIONS AND RULES

Responsible use of CAK's technology resources is first and foremost a reflection of Jesus Christ to each other and those outside the CAK community, and therefore should be ethical, respectful, honest, and supportive of the school's mission. The school expects all members of the school community to avoid computer activities which interfere in any way with the learning process. Some activities are expressly prohibited by law; other activities are inappropriate as defined by the administration of the school. All technology use is carefully monitored and supervised in the elementary school.

LOWER ELEMENTARY

Students in the lower elementary will participate in learning activities that teach and promote appropriate technology use and internet safety. Thus, we require students to use provided technology in accordance with general expectations communicated through our curriculum under the supervision of teachers.

UPPER ELEMENTARY

Students in our 1:1 iPad environment (fourth and fifth grade) agree to iPad guidelines. These guidelines are signed by both parents and students prior to being issued a device. A copy of this agreement is on file with the student's homeroom teacher. These guidelines are also posted on the school's website. These guidelines are intended to clarify expectations for conduct, but should not be construed as all-inclusive, as we cannot outline every possible behavior with technology. Violating any portion of this signed agreement may result in disciplinary review, including possible suspension or expulsion from CAK, and/or legal action. CAK will cooperate fully with law enforcement officials in any investigation related to any potentially illegal activities conducted through our network.

Failure to abide by items set forth in these guidelines will generally be addressed via disciplinary procedures listed throughout the CAK Handbook based on the type of offense (i.e. cheating, theft, inappropriate material, etc.) that occurred using a device. Classroom teachers have the authority to set expectations for appropriate use of technology in their classroom in addition to this document. The administration reserves the right to apply disciplinary action on a case-by-case basis. The policy will apply regardless of device used (phone, table, laptop, etc.).

**If an offense constitutes harassment or otherwise significantly impacts instruction or the operation of the school, the student will automatically receive OSS and the student's future at CAK will be discussed with the parents and administration.*

The school reserves the right to apply disciplinary consequences for computer-related activities conducted off-campus, regardless of device or system used, if such activity adversely affects the safety or well-being of students, employees or other members of our community, or constitutes behavior embarrassing to the school.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

CAK takes precautions to restrict access to objectionable material online, but it is not possible to have full control over access to resources and materials on the internet. CAK reserves the right to block content that negatively impacts the academic performance of students. CAK cannot guarantee that network services will be without error. The school will not be responsible for any lost data or interrupted service caused by malfunction, negligence, or omission. CAK is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through the network. The school will not be responsible for financial obligations arising from unauthorized use of the network.