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**Sharon Public Schools**

**Responsible Use Policy Agreement for Grades 6-8**

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian: Your child will read this on his/her own, but please ensure he/she understands the rules and responsibilities spelled out below.**

Using computers, tablets or other electronic devices in the Sharon Schools is intended to help students learn, communicate and be more effective and efficient with various tasks. We hope that school technology helps you become a better writer, reader, mathematician, and communicator. It is important to remember that computers and mobile devices come with risks. They can break or be used inappropriately or, through connections on the network, lead to sites, apps or games you shouldn't be using. Because of those risks, if you are going to use computers or other electronic devices either your own or the school's, you need to agree to follow these rules. By signing your name below, you are agreeing to follow the rules and responsibilities below.

- **Protect and Respect School Property.** I will be respectful of school technology in my classroom and around the building. It is my responsibility to use school computers, tablets and other devices carefully and keep them safe. I will use technology in school for learning, understanding concepts in my classes, and sharing ideas with others. I understand that changing any connection or configuration of an SPS device may not be done without clear permission from a teacher or technology staff. I will not waste resources (such as paper or bandwidth).
- **Protect and Respect Myself.** I will only log in to a computer as myself. I won't try to connect as anyone else. I will keep my personal information to myself (including passwords). I will use the network and any applications for learning and communicating positively. I won't try to damage devices or software, download anything without permission, use unauthorized applications, or interfere with the network in any way. If I become aware of any misuse of SPS technology, I will tell a teacher right away. I will not bring in or use my own tablet, computer or phone without express permission from the principal.
- **Respect Others.** I will not use computers or tablets or the SPS network to say anything inappropriate, or unkind things about others, or to bully or tease others, and will inform a staff member if I become aware of such things happening. I will use electronic devices for learning, not for distractions at all, and will stop using devices, owned by SPS or others, immediately on being asked by a staff member. I will not record pictures, video or voice of anyone in school without express permission by them AND a teacher/staff member.

- **Respect Others' Ideas.** I will not copy other people's work (including words, photos, videos) from websites or other digital sources and call it my own. Appropriate permission will be granted and credit given for any digital information source.

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Student's signature

**PARENT OR GUARDIAN:** As the parent or guardian of this student I have read the Terms and Conditions for use of SPS technology resources (larger, more complex document attached). I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I understand that the SPS network is in compliance with Child Internet Protection Act, and that filtering and blocking of inappropriate content is part of school access to the Internet. I also recognize that it is impossible for SPS to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold SPS responsible for materials acquired on the network. I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use is not in a school setting. I hereby give permission to allow access for my child. I further agree to be fully responsible for this agreement signed by my child above. Access may be restricted or removed for any violations of this R.U.A. or the general SPS A.U.P. Parents/guardians may request withdrawal of access at any time by notifying, in writing, the principal or superintendent of schools.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/legal guardian's signature

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