

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School Indio, CA.

Technology Policy for Student Use K-8

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Use of OLPH technology resources is given to students who agree to conduct themselves in a responsible manner. Before the student is allowed to use OLPH school internet or technology resources/devices the student and parent must sign the OLPH Acceptable Use Policy / Consent Form understanding and agreeing to their responsibilities. Students must comply with the policy and honor this agreement in order to be allowed the use of OLPH technology.

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If a student violates any rules his/her technology privileges will/can be terminated and future technology use will/can be denied. Disciplinary actions may also be taken into consideration if possible criminal activity is discovered or cyberbullying is discovered. The proper law enforcement will be notified and the student/s involved will face disciplinary action in accordance with OLPH behavior policy. This may include suspension, in school suspension, Saturday Academy and or expulsion from OLPH Indio. This may also include exclusion from receiving academic awards/recognition at ceremonies.

1. OLPH devices and resources such as school accounts should only be used to access educational information and educational activities both at school and home. Including communication at school and home.
2. At no time may students download personal applications or software on school devices. Nor shall they download any resources without educators permission.
3. Not all access to the internet can be supervised or monitored by staff at OLPH. Students must agree not to send, access, submit, publish or display any inappropriate, harassing or ill intent messages and or images when using OLPH networks or devices. Cyberbullying is strictly prohibited and is up to the student and parent to report the inappropriate use. Communication to the school administrators is required. Students must also refrain from, defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, offensive, or illegal material.
4. Although OLPH has GoGuardian in place to attempt to filter and block known inappropriate websites and help prohibit access to inappropriate materials accessed from our network we are not always able to block unknown sites. We are not able to filter or block such websites or material if the student uses a different network or personal device to access. Filtering technology is not perfect and therefore students may be able to get past it and or access objectionable material to view.
5. Students will not post or transmit their own or someone else's personal information such as telephone numbers, home address, first and or last names, photos, or other identifiable information.
6. At no times are students accounts or resources private. Students should not assume that any files stored through school accounts would be confidential. All digital communications and files are subject to inspection and monitoring by OLPH teachers, administrators, law enforcement and Diocese of San Bernardino officials. Digital storage is property of OLPH and can be reviewed to keep integrity and responsibility.
7. The use of our technology does require and involve the use of usernames and passwords. All passwords and usernames to any school used account should be kept private and protected for the individual user for their sole purpose. Students should never disclose their password information.
8. At no time are students allowed use of OLPH technology resources to conduct for-profit business activities or to engage in other activities not school related. Students should not use OLPH technology resources for advertising, promotion commercial purposes or similar objectives, including purchase or sales of items and services.
9. Students are prohibited from using personal technology including computers, laptops, smartphone's, network access devices and or other electronic signaling devices. Students must be given permission by teachers and staff if such personal devices are to be used.
10. When using any school device students must inform teachers and staff regarding any damage or destruction of the device immediately. If a student is responsible for any damage caused to any device or hardware pertaining to the technology resources, parents and students are responsible for the replacement and fees that apply.

Consequences of Misuse and/or Violation of the Student Policy of this Agreement

Improper use of OLPH technology resources/accounts on or off school campus, in school sponsored activities, may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from school. This agreement can be used in conjunction with local, state and the Diocese of San Bernardino's Policy pertaining to regulations governing the applicable matter.

OLPH, Indio is not responsible for any service interruptions, unauthorized use, loss of files/data and exposure to harmful or inappropriate material or people. Any information obtained via internet or communications is at the students own risk. OLPH is not liable for any lost, stolen or damage of personal technology devices brought to school such as ipads ipods, phones, smart phones, computers.

Agreement

We hereby agree with the OLPH's Policy for Student Use of Technology Agreement explained above. As a parent I give my child permission to use OLPH network and technology resources. I/we also agree not to hold OLPH accountable for any damages, unauthorized use, and exposure to harmful or inappropriate material from unknown sources at OLPH.

Student Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

User Signature

Date

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Parent/Student Copy

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