



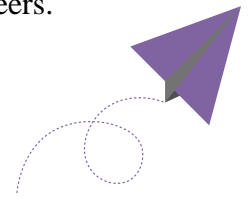
Acceptable Use Policy

Ms. Mitchell's 8th Grade Classroom



Classroom Rules:

- 1) Treat your classmates with respect. Be kind to each other and respect opinions, beliefs, and cultures that are different from your own.
- 2) Respect the classroom. Take care of all classroom property and ask for permission before taking something out of the classroom.
- 3) Come to class prepared. Always have paper and a writing utensil.
- 4) Have a positive attitude! Face challenges with a smile on your face, and don't be afraid to ask for help.
- 5) Participate! Complete your work, answer questions, and engage with your peers.
- 6) Do your best and HAVE FUN! This year is going to be great!



Rules for Using Technology Available in the Classroom

- 1) Use all technological devices as educational tools, not as toys.
- 2) Always ask to use a device before getting it out. This includes, but is not limited to, iPads, cellphones, laptops, and cameras.
- 3) For every project there will be a given time that you can use the devices. Pay attention to these times and always ask me if you have any questions.
- 4) During group work, rotate turns. If one group member is researching on the iPad, the other group members should be completing tasks that are not done on the Internet.
- 5) You may not get on your phones during class time unless otherwise instructed. I will confiscate your cellphone until the end of the class period if you are caught texting or browsing social media.

Rules for Internet Etiquette – What You Can and Cannot Do on the Internet:

- 1) If something inappropriate pops up, take responsibility to click away quickly.
- 2) Do not look up inappropriate content on purpose.
- 3) There is a strict no-bullying policy in this classroom, and that includes cyberbullying. Do not engage in hurtful behavior on the Internet.
- 4) Protect yourself. You may not use the classroom devices to look at social media, and it is mandatory that you do not reveal personal information about yourself on the Internet.
- 5) Always cite your sources. Give credit to any authors, artists, and other content creators.

Student Initial _____

Parent Initial _____



Additional Info:

- There will be **consequences** for any rules that are broken.
 - Level 1: Warning
 - Level 2: Technology privileges taken away
 - Level 3: Call home. You will tell your parents/guardians why you are in trouble
 - Level 4: Lunch detention. You will have silent lunch for two days
 - Level 5: Principal's office

- **Plagiarism** will not be tolerated in the classroom. From Plagiarism.org: “All of the following are considered plagiarism:
 - turning in someone else's work as your own
 - copying words or ideas from someone else without giving credit
 - failing to put a quotation in quotation marks
 - giving incorrect information about the source of a quotation
 - copying so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of your work, whether you give credit or not”

- **Copyright** is the right of a creator to his or her work. It is important that you always give credit to the person whose work you are using. If you want to use a certain song or picture in a presentation, make sure you have permission to do so.
- **Fair Use** allows you to use copyrighted material *as long as* it is used for educational purposes. This is not a license to steal, and it especially does not allow you to plagiarize.

If you need more information, please go to my website, or contact me at e.mitchell@schools.org

I, the student, have read Ms. Mitchell's ENTIRE Acceptable Use Policy. I agree to the terms of the classroom.

I, the parent/guardian, have read Ms. Mitchell's ENTIRE Acceptable Use Policy. I agree to the terms of the classroom and will encourage my student to exhibit appropriate behavior.

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