

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) will make a huge difference in the operation of our classroom, and I want to thank you for playing this part in your child's education. For elementary students, an AUP lays out the expectations ahead of time for classroom and technology behavior so that students know exactly what to do and what the consequences will be if their behavior is inappropriate. This way, behavioral problems are significantly decreased. This allows learning to happen much more effectively and efficiently.

Implementing your own Acceptable Use Policy at home may be a huge benefit to you and your family. Your child will be aware of what is expected of them at home and how they are permitted to spend their time on electronic devices. By laying out the expectations for your child at the beginning of the school year, you may spend much less of your time combatting behavior problems. Our students and children often do want to listen and be helpful, but many times they just do not know how. Having an AUP at both school and home will help them to learn and understand appropriate behavior in multiple settings. Attached to this letter is a simple AUP template for you to use if you wish to do something similar for your child at home. You can simply fill out the template or use it as inspiration to create your own. You can also use our classroom AUP as a reference for examples of rules and consequences. If you have any more questions about making your own Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), you can check out our classroom website for resources or reach out to me by email.

Sincerely, *Ms. Kristyn* ☺