

Annual Technology Use Agreement

At Palouse Prairie Charter School we believe that it is essential for all students to learn appropriate and effective use of technology. Students and teachers have opportunities to gather information, communicate with people all over the world, and create their own products. PPCS provides students and staff with technology services. These services include the use of computers, servers, other technology equipment, and the internet.

Some sites on the internet may contain offensive material. Even though it is impossible to have control over all of the information on the internet, PPCS prevents access to inappropriate materials through a filtering system in order to provide for a positive, productive educational experience. Communications on the internet are public in nature and files stored on the internet should not be assumed to be private.

The use of Palouse Prairie's technology is a privilege and not a right. Technology is designed to be used as a tool to assist with the instructional objectives of the school. Students shall use technology efficiently to minimize interference with others.

Prohibited uses of technology include, but are not limited to:

- Sending, receiving, displaying, or accessing defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, harassing, or illegal materials.
- Encouraging the use of or promoting the sale of controlled substances or drugs.
- Any attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, the network, any technology equipment, or any of the agencies or other computer network services that are connected to the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.
- Any attempt to sell or offer for sale any goods or services that could be construed as a commercial enterprise, unless approved by the Board or their designee.
- Redistributing a copyrighted program material without the express written permission of the owner or authorized person or as provided by the fair use exception. This includes uploading and downloading of materials.
- Invading the privacy of individuals, revealing personal information of others or themselves, such as home address or phone number.
- Logging in to the system using another user's account or password.
- Leaving an account open or unattended.
- Violating any local, state, or federal regulation or statute.
- Using the internet for purposes unrelated to the educational curriculum.
- Altering computer equipment as set up by the system administrator.

PPCS reserves the right to monitor all activity on the internet, to block any material on the internet, or to deny access to technology to any individual.

Student discipline for violation of any part of these rules and procedures shall be based on the student's age and the severity of the infraction. Student discipline may involve actions up to and including suspension and/or expulsion. **For damaged technological devices as a result of negligence, mishandling, or intentional vandalism (excludes normal wear and tear), the perpetrator or their parents/guardians may be billed for damages to equipment.** Illegal activities will be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Each student will be assigned a chromebook that they are responsible for. Computers for use at school will be kept in the classroom. They will not be stored in a locker or backpack. Computers taken home for home for remote learning and/or homework purposes may also be checked out.

Chromebook Information

Item	Manufacturer	ID Number	Cart Color/#

STUDENT (grades 5-8 only sign)

I have read and understand the Palouse Prairie Charter School Technology Terms of Agreement and have discussed it with my parent(s)/guardian(s). I understand that by signing this agreement I must follow all school policies and procedures related to technology, and that if I don't follow all school policies and procedures related to technology, I will be held accountable for my actions in the form of loss of technology use, suspension/expulsion, or even legal action, depending on the severity of the infraction.

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Student Signature _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

I have read and understand the Palouse Prairie Charter School Technology Terms of Agreement and have discussed it with my student. I hereby give permission for my student to have school issued accounts. I understand by signing this form that my student's work and directory type information may be displayed within the network. Furthermore, I recognize there are controversial materials on the internet, and will not hold the school district responsible for materials acquired on the internet or network. I also agree to be financially responsible for repair/ replacement costs of damaged or lost equipment. I certify that my student would be unable to sufficiently participate in remote learning and/or complete internet-based homework assignments if a computer was not provided by Palouse Prairie Charter School. (Note: Without parent/guardian and student signature of agreement, the student will NOT be permitted to use any of the school technology.)

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date Signed _____