# Neuse Charter Schools Students/Parents Technology and Digital Citizenship Agreement

Students at Neuse Charter School are granted the privilege of access to the Internet and network resources. Each student and parent is asked to read this document and sign the agreement page indicating their understanding of the guidelines and procedures for digital citizenship and the use of the electronic devices and network resources.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE**

The use of the Neuse Charter School's technology resources is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- Neuse Charter School's technologies have been established for a limited "educational purpose". The term "educational purpose" includes classroom activities, continuing education, professional or career development, and high quality educationally enriching personal research. In compliance with federal law, the school shall make reasonable efforts to restrict access to inappropriate materials and shall monitor the online activities, as reasonably able, of the end users in the school environment.
- Neuse Charter School's technologies have not been established as a public access service or a public forum. The school has the right to place reasonable restrictions on the material the student accesses or posts through the system. Students are also expected to follow the rules set forth in this agreement, the student disciplinary code, and the law, when utilizing the school Internet system.
- Students may not use Neuse Charter School's technologies for commercial purposes. A user may not offer or provide products or services through the school resources.
- Students/Parents are expected to abide by Neuse Charter School's Students/Parents
  Technology and Digital Citizenship Agreement.
- Students who graduate early, withdraw, are suspended or expelled, or discontinue enrollment in Neuse Charter School for any other reason will lose access to all school provided technology.

## DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP Students understand and agree:

- To not vandalize, damage, or disable property of the school or another individual or organization. Failure to report such incidents in a timely manner will be considered a violation.
- That the use of digital resources must be in support of education, research, and the
  educational mission and core values of Neuse Charter School and abide by all copyright
  regulations.
- To only use digital resources for instructional purposes, during instructional time, with the permission of the classroom supervisor.
- To accept personal responsibility in reporting any misuse of the network to the school administration.

- To not submit, publish, display, or retrieve any defamatory, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, cyber bullying/bullying, or illegal material.
- To not reveal home addresses, birth dates, personal phone numbers, or other personal information on public web posts.
- To not share their username and password with another person other than their parent/guardian.
- To not intentionally log in as another student to access resources.
- To not use Neuse Charter School's resources for the purpose of cheating.
- To not record and/or post images, audio, or video of others without their permission.
- That some web-based, educationally approved applications may require creation of individual accounts, including but not limited to email services, blogs, wikis and other educational networking tools.
- To treat web-based spaces as classroom spaces; language that is not appropriate for class is not appropriate for your web-based communication.

### Parents/Guardians understand and agree:

- To be responsible for reviewing this document with their students.
- To oversee their student's use of the Internet and school provided technology resources while the student is at home.
- That some web-based, educationally approved applications (i.e. email services, blogs, wikis, etc.) may require parent permission of students under age 13 to create individual accounts and permission is given to create such accounts.

Students and Parents/Guardians are expected to abide by Neuse Charter School's Students/ Parents Technology and Digital Citizenship agreement. Failure to abide by this agreement could result in disciplinary action.

### POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES FOR MISUSE

The use of electronic information resources and electronic devices in NCS is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked or limited at any time. The school administration reserves the right to address any incidents involving the use of electronic devices, Internet, and network resources on a case-by-case basis. Possible consequences include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Limited use and/or loss of use of the device or Internet.
- Detention, suspension or expulsion.
- Reporting of the incident to local law enforcement.
- Parent conference.
- Possible fine for misuse or damage, i.e. removing identification tags/labels, cleaning fees, lost/damaged power cords, etc.

The school administration holds the right to issue disciplinary consequences based on school rules and/or policies.