

ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY FOR HALE AREA SCHOOLS DISTRICT COMPUTER NETWORK

The Hale Area Schools recognize that computers are used to support learning and to enhance instruction. Computer interaction networks allow people to interact with many other computers and networks. It is a general policy that all computers are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical and legal manner.

This applies both at home and at school. In the Winter 2016, students grades 7-12 will be provided a personal electronic device. A signed User Agreement will be required before the device is issued.

All students using the Hale Area Schools local area network (LAN), Internet, E-mail and stand-alone computers are governed by the following rules:

1. I recognize that all computer users have the same right to use the equipment; therefore, I will not use the computer resources for non-academic purposes. I will not attempt to gain access to resources that I am not authorized to use. I will not waste or take supplies such as paper or CDs. I will not alter a computer's system settings or files in any way. I will not delete any files on a computer that were not created by me. I will not attempt to damage any equipment that is part of the Hale Area School's computer network physically or electronically. When using a computer, I will talk softly and work in ways that will not disturb other users. I will keep my computer work area clean and will not eat or drink while using a computer.
2. I recognize that copyright laws protect software; therefore, I will not make unauthorized copies of software and I will not give, lend, or sell copies of software to others. I understand I will not be allowed to bring software applications, games, CD-ROM disks, or other software media to the school to be used on school equipment without the prior written permission of the Technology Department.
3. I recognize the work of all users is valuable. Therefore, I will protect the privacy of others by not trying to learn another user's passwords or attempt to access another user's account by any means. I will not copy, change, read, or use files from another user without the prior permission from that user. I will not use computer systems to disturb other computer users or use inappropriate language in my communications.
4. I will honor the school district's procedures for the storage of information. I understand I am expected to save files I want to keep within the confines of my assigned server space. I realize after prior notice has been given, files may be deleted from the system to protect the integrity of the network or because of space limitations on the server's hard drive. I will also undertake the appropriate procedures to stop the spread of computer viruses.
5. The use of the Internet must be in support of education and research consistent with the educational objectives of the school. Any other use of the internet shall be considered a violation of this policy. I will not attempt to download any music, games executable files, instant messengers, zip (compressed) files, or any other files not required by an assignment. I will not attempt to access email unless it is supplied to me by Hale Area Schools.
6. As a user of a network, I will not use bulletin boards, chat software/rooms, or social networking sites for personal use. In addition, I will not reveal my personal information, home address, or personal phone number or those of others.
7. I will not transmit any material in violation of any US regulations. I understand this

includes, but is not limited to copyrighted, threatening and/or obscene material. I understand the use of school computers and networking resources for commercial activities is not permitted.

8. I understand the computer network utilizes software and/or hardware to monitor activity of students to restrict access to pornography and other material that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. I understand this software may not protect me from seeing some material I, my parents, or other users of the network may find inappropriate. I understand I am responsible for not pursuing material that could be considered offensive to me, my parents, or those around me. Further, I will not attempt to disable, remove, change, or bypass the filtering software in any way and agree to report to the teacher if this software appears to be non-functional.
9. I understand the use of the computer is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in the cancellation of my privileges. I understand vandalism will result in the cancellation of privileges and/or school disciplinary action. I understand the school reserves the right to seek financial restitution for any damages caused by me directly or indirectly. The system administrators will deem what is inappropriate use, and their decision is final. The Technology Department may close my account at any time. The school may request the Technology Department to deny, revoke, or suspend specific user privileges. I understand breaking these rules will be dealt with seriously and I will be subject to loss of computer privileges.
10. Users who disregard this policy and its accompanying guidelines may have their use privileges suspended or revoked, and disciplinary action taken against them in accordance with the Student Handbook. Users of the Board's Education Technology are personally liable both civilly and criminally, for users of the Education Technology not authorized by this Board policy and its accompanying guidelines.
11. Even though this Acceptable Use Policy includes many rules and regulations, it is by no means to be considered all-inclusive, but rather a policy in progress.
12. Students Kindergarten-12th grade will be assigned a school email account that they are required to utilize for all school-related electronic communications with limited access to staff members and students inside the district with whom they are communicating for school-related projects and assignments. Students as directed and authorized by their teachers, shall use their school-assigned email account when signing-up/registering for access to various online educational services, including mobile applications/apps that will be utilized by the student for educational purposes.
13. Damage determined to be excessive will be dealt with according to the school policy on damage to school property at the highest level. This includes removal of identification materials and factory seals. As this will void warranties and you will be held responsible for full replacement costs.

Signed Student _____

Signed Parent _____

Student Device Handbook



Hale Area Schools

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1:1 Overview

Hale Area Schools (HAS) views the use of student mobile devices as essential educational tools for preparing the students of HAS for career- and college-readiness. At grades 9-12, the device will provide students with access to the Web, Google Docs, Google Groups, Google Sites, and other Web 2.0 tools. 1:1 access will make these educational tools readily available to students at both school and at home.

Technology as an Instructional Tool

The primary goal of the teachers of the HAS is to get students to become career- and college-ready. Teachers strive daily to effectively teach the curriculum while developing independent motivated learners who collaborate, communicate, problem-solve, and think critically. Technology puts information at each student's fingertips while allowing him/her to access information, research and communicate with peers and teachers anywhere at any time.

Technology will be used in a variety of ways by teachers to enhance instruction. The uses are seemingly endless and will vary based on subject, curriculum, and teaching style.

Student User Agreement

Access to Student Devices

- The term “student device” refers to devices, batteries, cases, and power cord/chargers.
- Like textbooks, student devices are considered learning tools.
- Student devices are on loan to students and remain the property of HAS.
- All student devices are labeled with a HAS tag and number. Students may be charged up to the full replacement cost of the student device for tampering with, or turning in, a student device without the HAS tag.
- Student devices are issued to the student and are meant to be used by the student only for educational purposes. Family members and friends are not to use the student device for any reason.
- The students to whom the devices are assigned are responsible at all times for appropriate use. This means that if others use the student devices to break the rules, the students may still be held responsible.
- Students are expected to keep the student devices in good condition. Failure to do so may result in assessed fines for repair or replacement.
- Students are expected to report any damage to their student devices as soon as possible. All damage reports should be filed in the high school media center.

Content and Privacy

- All users are accountable to all school, district, local, state, and federal laws.
- All data stored on student devices, the HAS network, and Google Apps cloud servers are property of the District and may be subject to review and monitor at any time.
- Additional user accounts created on the student device are subject to the same terms and conditions as the assigned student user.
- Students are expected to notify a staff member immediately if they come across information, images, or messages that are inappropriate, dangerous, or threatening.
- Students who identify or know about a security problem are expected to convey the details to school staff.

General Policies

- Students and families must follow all guidelines set forth in this document and by HAS staff.
- All users of the HAS network and equipment must comply at all times with HAS Acceptable Use Policy.
- All users are accountable to all school, district, local, state, and federal laws.
- Failure to comply with these terms may result in disciplinary action and the confiscation of the student device.

Student Mobile Device Use

Mobile devices are digital devices that can access the Internet, use Web Tools such as Google Apps, run apps, and store digital media. Students are expected to use school issued devices when accessing the district network during the school day and class assignments.

- No student shall establish a private, ad hoc, or peer-to-peer network using personal devices. This includes technology equipped to provide a wireless hotspot.
- Students are not permitted to use any personal device to record audio or video media or take pictures of any student or staff member without their permission. The distribution of any unauthorized media may result in discipline including but not limited to suspension, criminal charges, and expulsion.
- Students may only use a device during class with the teacher's permission. A student must comply with a staff member's request to shut down the device or close the screen.
- Students should only use their devices to access relevant education-related content. They are not to make personal calls or electronically communicate with others, including other students, parents, guardians, friends, and family, from their student devices during class time, except for emergency situations. In emergency situations, students must notify the teacher and get permission for personal use.
- Technology access is provided for educational use by the student. Use of technology for commercial purposes or other unauthorized purposes is expressly forbidden.

Charging and Bringing the Student Mobile Devices to School

- Students are expected to bring their student devices fully charged to school every day.
- A limited number of loaner student devices will be available to check out in the technology department for students who do not bring their student devices to school on a first come, first serve basis.
- Students who have multiple occurrences of forgetting their student devices or not bringing their student devices fully charged may face disciplinary action.

Logging into Student Devices

- Students will log into their student devices with their district-issued Google accounts.
- Students should never share their passwords with others unless requested by an administrator.

Managing Personal Content

- Students should store the majority of their work in cloud-based applications such as their HAS issued Google account.
- Students should not store pirated or otherwise illegal content on their student devices or in HAS issued accounts.

Sound

- In class, use of headphones or sound is at the discretion of the teacher. Sound must not interfere with instructional activities.
- Students may purchase and use their own headphones with permission from the instructor.

Printing

- Students are encouraged to digitally share their work with their peers and teachers only for educational purposes (not for cheating or plagiarism purposes).
- For Chromebooks, students may print at home by setting up their home printers with Google Cloud Print. More information can be found at <http://www.google.com/cloudprint/learn/>

Applications

- Students are allowed to install pre-approved Chrome extensions from the Chrome Web Store in addition to the pre-installed applications.

Using the Student Devices Outside of School

- Students are encouraged to use their student devices outside of school.
- Internet access via Wi-Fi is required for student devices to access the Google Apps cloud storage; however, for Chromebooks, offline access includes Google Drive Offline and many Chrome Apps.
- Students are expected to follow all HAS policies wherever they use their student devices.

Student Device Care

It is essential for students to use and care for their student devices. As noted previously, “student devices” refers to devices, batteries, cases, and power cords/chargers. Students should observe the following use and care routines with student devices:

At School

- Do not leave student device unattended.
- Do not pile things on top of student device.
- In a locker or backpack, place student device in a vertical position.
- Protect student device from extreme cold or heat and from food or drinks; this will ruin the battery and/or screen.
- Use device in accordance with HAS policies and staff directives.

At Home

- Students are expected to bring student devices to school fully charged. Charge student device completely each night.
- Keep the student device and charger together.
- Do not leave student device in or on an unsafe or unstable location, such as a stool, chair, or on the floor.
- Protect student device from extreme cold or heat, from food or drinks, and from small children and pets.

Traveling To and From School

- Shut down student device before traveling.
- Do not leave student device in a vehicle.
- Report any issues to a parent, guardian, school official, or trusted adult.

Device Care

- Students are required to use protective cases for their student device.
- Never lift student devices by the screen or carry the student device with the screen open.
- Make sure there is nothing on the keyboard before closing the lid.

- Use a soft, dry microfiber cloth; lint-free cloth; or screen wipes listed for safe use on electronic device screens to clean the student device screens.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

HAS makes every effort to ensure that parents/guardians are informed of their responsibilities regarding the 1:1 initiative. These responsibilities are:

\$10 dollars will be collected before disbursement of any Chromebook.

This deposit is necessary to help with initial disbursement costs. This will be collected at the beginning of every year when the device is issued, and if necessary before a replacement can be issued.

Sign the Student/Parent/Guardian Device Agreement

To take home HAS student devices, students and their parents/guardians must read and sign the Device Agreement.

Monitor Student Use

The District will provide CIPA compliant GoGuardian filtering program while operating on our network (at school and at home). The purpose of this filtering program is to protect students from inappropriate content while using the internet at school and at home.

The District has installed a GoGuardian filtering program designed to protect students from inappropriate content. No filtering system however, can guarantee 100% accuracy in eliminating inappropriate content.

The parent/guardian agrees to monitor student device usage at home and away from school. Suggestions for monitoring include:

- Investigating and applying parental controls available through home internet service providers, wireless router settings, and online filtering services.
- Developing a set of rules/expectations for student mobile device use
- Demonstrating interest in, and monitoring of, what the student is doing on the student device
- Viewing advice videos regarding [cyber safety](#), [cybersecurity](#), [digital citizenship](#), and [cyberbullying](#) are available free at Common Sense Media,
More information can be found at:
<http://commonsensemedia.org/video/advice>.

Returning Student Devices

End of Year/Termination of Enrollment

- At the end of the school year, students will return their student devices. Failure to do so will result in the student being charged the full replacement cost of the device. HAS may also file a report of stolen property with the local law enforcement agency. Chromebook deposits will be refunded when a student leaves Hale Area Schools.

Transferring/Withdrawing Students

- Students who transfer or withdraw from the District must turn in their student devices on their last day of attendance. Failure to do so will result in the student being charged the full replacement cost. HAS may also file a report of stolen property with the local law enforcement agency.

Graduating Seniors

- Seniors must return the device and pay any damage/replacement fines prior to receiving cap/gown/diploma and to participate in graduation activities.

Loss, Theft, or Damage

If a device is lost or stolen, this must be reported immediately to the High School Technology Coordinator at 989-728-3551 ext 403 or techsupport@haleschools.net

HAS will repair or replace damaged equipment from normal use. The cost for all excessive damage, lost or stolen devices will be the responsibility of the student/parent/guardian. The district will invoice the student/parent/guardian/ for the cost of the applicable repairs or total cost of replacement if deemed necessary.

The school district will treat a lost device as stolen and will assist the authorities in tracking the device with the school's remote access. In the event of theft, a police report must be submitted to the Tech Coordinator in order to receive a loaner computer while the situation is being resolved.

Warranty

The District will repair or replace equipment that is deemed to be a manufacturing defect at no cost to the student/parent/guardian.

Intentional Misuse/Damage

The HAS school district will enforce its policies on the misuse and or destruction of school property. The issued device is property of the Hale Area School so every effort must be made to return the device in the condition it was issued. If damage was determined to be intentional the money deposited will be forfeit and further action may be taken according

to current handbook policies. It is necessary to report all damage immediately. Doing so will insure timely repair and help stop possible further responsibility of damage.

Chromebook parts and replacement costs are as follows:

PARTS	Amount
FULL REPLACEMENT	\$200.00
SCREEN	\$70.00
KEYBOARD	\$70.00
POWER PORT	\$30.00
CHARGER	\$30.00

Other costs: To be determined through appropriate assessment up to the full value of the student device.

Student Agreement Signature Page

Student Last Name (please print): _____

Student First Name (please print): _____

Student ID Number: _____

Student Device Number: _____

Student Grade _____ School Year _____

STUDENT

I have read and understand the HAS 1:1 Student Device Handbook.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I am the parent or legal guardian of _____. I have read and understand the HAS 1:1 Student Device Handbook. I will make every effort to ensure that I, my child, or ward will also comply with the terms and conditions stated in the handbook.

I understand that it is impossible for the District to control and restrict access to all controversial or inappropriate materials that may be accessible through the District's student devices. I agree to hold the district and its officers, agents, and employees harmless in the event my child obtains access to controversial or inappropriate materials while using the District's technology and or student device. In consideration for the privilege of my child or ward using the HAS student device, I hereby release and hold harmless the Hale Area School District, its officers, board members, employees and agents, and any entity affiliated with the District, from and against any and all liability, loss, expense, or claim for injury or damages that I or my child or ward may incur arising out of use of the District's student device.

Parent's or Guardian's Name (please print): _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Deposit Made (\$10) Cash/Check _____ Collected By _____

This form is to be signed and turned in to the Tech Department. A duplicate of this form can always be found on the Google Drive of student devices and district website www.haleschools.net.