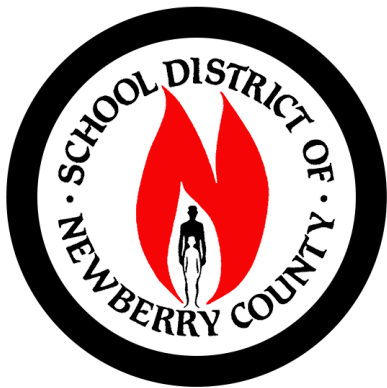


School District of Newberry County

1:1 Technology Use Handbook

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Overview

The School District of Newberry County views the use of electronic resources as central to the delivery of its educational program and expects that all students will use electronic resources as an essential part of their learning experiences. It is the policy of the School District of Newberry County to maintain an environment that promotes ethical and responsible conduct in all electronic resource activities. With this privilege and extraordinary opportunity to explore resources comes responsibilities for the parent and for the student. The 1:1 HANDBOOK, [USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES STUDENT CONSENT FORM](#), [USE OF DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES](#), and [1:1 AGREEMENT](#) are available through the district website <https://www.newberry.k12.sc.us/> or you may request a printed copy from your child's school.

DISCLAIMER:

For the most up-to-date version of this document, please refer to the electronic copy of the School District of Newberry 1:1 Student-Parent Handbook located on the district website. Any changes to policy and/or procedures will be reflected on the online version of this document.

Parent and Student Responsibility:

School District of Newberry County students and families must understand:

1. All students are allowed access to electronic resources unless the school is notified in writing by the parent/guardian.
2. All users of the district network and equipment must comply at all times with the [USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES STUDENT CONSENT FORM](#) - [Español](#).
3. All devices and all technology equipment associated with the device are on loan to students and remain the property of the School District of Newberry County.
4. All users are accountable to all school, district, local, state, and federal laws.
5. All use of the device and network must support education.
6. Students and families must follow all guidelines set forth in this document and by district staff.
7. All rules and guidelines are in effect before, during, and after school hours for all district computers whether on or off the school campus.
8. All files stored on district equipment or the network are property of the district and may be subject for reviewing and monitoring.
9. The term “equipment” or “technology” refers to devices, batteries, power cord/chargers and bags/cases. Each piece of equipment is issued as an educational resource. The conditions surrounding this equipment can be equated to those of a textbook or a school issued calculator.
10. Students are expected to regularly perform operating system updates on their devices by installing Windows updates by selecting Update and Restart or Apple IOS updates as recommended by their devices.
11. Students are expected to keep the devices and other equipment in good condition. Failure to do so will result in bills for repair or replacement.
12. The price that the school district paid for the device includes the device power adapter and/or other accessories.
13. Students are expected to report any damage to their device as soon as possible. This means no later than the next school day.
14. Students who identify or know about a security problem are expected to convey the details to their teacher without discussing it with other students.
15. Students are expected to notify a staff member immediately if they come across information, images, or messages that are inappropriate, dangerous, threatening, or make them feel uncomfortable.
16. All users are expected to follow existing copyright laws and educational fair use policies.
17. Students may only log in under their assigned School District of Newberry County username. Students may not share their password with other students.
18. Students may not loan device components to any other person for any reason. Students who do so will be held financially responsible for any loss of components.
19. All devices come with a standardized image already loaded and should not be modified.
20. Any failure to comply with the rules as outlined in this handbook may result in disciplinary action. The School District of Newberry County may remove a user’s access to the network without notice at any time if the user is engaged in any unauthorized activity.
21. The School District of Newberry County reserves the right to confiscate the property at any time.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

The School District of Newberry County makes every effort to equip parents/guardians with the necessary tools and information to ensure safe use of the devices in the home. There are several responsibilities assumed by the parent/guardian. These are outlined below.

In order for students to be issued a Dell laptop or iPad, a student and his/her parent/guardian must acknowledge acceptance of the Student/Parent Responsible Use Agreement found at the conclusion of this document. A student will not be issued a device until the agreement has been accepted via the District's Online Registration Portal or a hard copy has been signed by both parent/guardian and student and returned to the school.

Accept Liability Parent/Guardian Responsibility

The parent/guardian/student are responsible for the cost of repair or replacement at the date of loss if the property is:

- Not returned
- Intentionally damaged
- Damaged because of negligence
- Lost or stolen (Must be reported to school and/or police immediately. In cases involving theft a police report will be required.)

Monitor Student Use Parent/Guardian Responsibility Suggestions

The parent/guardian must agree to monitor student use at home (if applicable) and away from school. The best way to keep students safe and on-task is to have a parent/guardian present and involved.

- Investigate and apply parental controls available through your internet service provider and/or your wireless router.
- Develop a set of rules/expectations for devices used at home. Further guidelines, resources and guides for parents and families can be found at <https://www.common sense media.org/>.
- Only allow device use in common rooms of the home (e.g. living room or kitchen) and not in bedrooms.
- Demonstrate a genuine interest in what your student is doing on the device. Ask questions and request that they show you his or her work often.

Support Student Safety

A shared responsibility for schools and parents/guardians alike, student safety is always a high priority. The precautions described in this section are intended to help students be safe on the path to and from school. Student safety always comes first.

Please review the following safety tips with your student:

- Keep your Online Identity secret - Don't tell anyone your real name or address or what neighborhood you live in.
- Your Username and Password belong to you ... And only you - Don't give your username or password to anyone.
- The Internet has a great memory ... So keep its memory of you clean - Just because the Internet is so massive does not mean that embarrassing or inappropriate pictures, rude or mean comments, or illegal activities will disappear forever. Watch what you post about yourself or others.
 - Never meet anyone in person that you met online.
 - Parents are ultimately responsible for minors online.

- Every search, web site visit, online posting and email is registered or recorded somewhere on the Internet.
- If someone asks you to send them sexual pictures, be very suspicious -- and don't do it. Alert your parents or teacher.
- If someone demands your device, give it to the person. Report the incident immediately to law enforcement (School Resource Officer).

Helping Students Access Email:

- <https://outlook.office365.com/mail/group/newberry.k12.sc.us/>
- Students use their login followed by @sdnc.org and their password. Example: jsmit3333@sdnc.org
- E-mail should be checked regularly.


Helping Students Check Grades:

- Students can check their own grades at <https://sdnc.powerschool.com/public/> with their dead link student login and password.

Helping Students Access Online Learning Tools

- Students will log into their devices and access <https://launchpad.classlink.com/sdnc> . Once logged into Classlink, they will access applications using their district issued credentials of email address and password.
- Once in Classlink, students will access school-approved apps/programs/websites for their classes including Schoology <https://sdnc.schoology.com/> and Google Drive/OneDrive.

Troubleshooting Common Problems:

- Websites not pulling up. Check Internet connection at the bottom right by clicking on the symbol  .
- If the student is having issues signing into the computer with their username and password once it is powered on, restarting the computer may solve the problem.
- If that does not work and the computer has not been on the network for some time it may require the student to connect to the district wi-fi and login.
- If the computer freezes up and does not allow you to move the cursor restart by holding down ALT CTRL DELETE buttons at the same time. On the next screen, select restart.
- If ALT CTRL DELETE does not work, hold down the power button and do a hard shut down.
- To override the system settings to unmute the microphone, press the FN and F4 keys at the same time.
- Additional troubleshooting documents are available at <https://www.newberry.k12.sc.us/>

Device Rules and Guidelines

The rules and guidelines are provided here so that students and parents/guardians are aware of the responsibilities students accept when they use a district-owned device. In general, this requires efficient, ethical, and legal utilization of all technology resources. Violations of these rules and guidelines will result in disciplinary action. Students will not receive devices until proper documentation is completed by parent/guardian and student. Students receive device-related training during the first weeks of school. Below you will find a summary of the main points of each training topic.

Electronic Resource Policy and Responsible Use Procedures

All use of technology must:

- Support learning
- Follow local, state, and federal laws
- Be school appropriate

Security Reminders

- Do not share logins or passwords. Exception: students are asked to share passwords with parents or guardians
- Do not develop programs to harass others, “hack”, bring in viruses, or change others’ files
- Follow Internet safety guidelines
- Do not install any VPN (virtual private network) software on district devices

Activities Requiring Teacher Permission

- Instant-messaging
- Using headphones in class
- Downloading programs/extensions, music, games and videos
- Playing games

Inappropriate Content

All files must be school appropriate. Inappropriate materials include explicit or implicit references to:

- Alcohol, tobacco or drugs
- Gangs
- Obscene language or nudity
- Bullying, threatening, or harassment
- Discriminatory or prejudicial behavior
- Other content deemed inappropriate by school or district staff

USB Drives

- Students and staff are encouraged to use cloud storage through district access of OneDrive or Google Drive.

Device Use, Care, and Classroom Routines

Cases

- Cases on any device should only be removed by Technology or Authorized School Staff.
- Devices that include a district issued case, must remain in the case to be covered under the technology fee procedures for coverage


Lockers

- Devices should not be stored in lockers. Exception: Physical Education/Band

Hallways

- Always carry in a protective case or bookbag.
- Never leave the device unattended for any reason.

Classroom Habits

- Ensure that the device is resting securely on the desktop. **Never** place your device on the floor.
- Close the lid of the device before standing up. Check for pencils or other objects that may be on the keyboard before you close the lid. Objects left on a keyboard may crack the screen.
- Never leave your device unattended unless you have your teacher's permission to do so. If you walk away from your device, lock the screen before walking away. Press the  and L key at the same time to lock the laptop.
- Follow all directions given by the teacher. Failure to follow district policies and teacher instructions could result in disciplinary action.

Care of Device

- The power cord/charger remain with the device or in the district provided case when not in use
- iPads will be provided with a case. It must remain in the case at all times.
- Charge the device fully at the end of each day. The student is responsible for ensuring that the power cord is connected to the device and it is charging.
- Store the device on a desk or table. Books and/or binders should never be placed on top of a device. If the device is not in use, it should either be stored on top of a desk/table or in the rack under a student desk.
- A device should never be on the floor.
- A device should never be open if a student is consuming food or drink.
- A device should never be left in a vehicle for an extended length of time
- Unplug headphones or other peripherals when not in use.

Care of Device at Home

- The iPad stays in the provided case, even to charge. Charge the device fully each night.
- Use the device in a common room of the home.
- Store the device on a desk or table - **never on the floor!**
- Protect the device from:
 - Extreme heat or cold.
 - Food and drinks.

- Small children (little brothers and sisters, etc.)
- Pets.

Traveling To and From School

- Completely shut down the device before traveling.
- Do not leave the device in a vehicle.
- Carry in a protective case or bookbag.
- Do not carry your device in a bag with any liquid, ***including water bottles.***
- If ever in a situation when someone is threatening you for your device, give it to them and tell a staff member as soon as you arrive at school.
- The School District of Newberry County will work in cooperation with the local police department if a device is reported stolen.

Prohibited Actions

Students are prohibited from:

- Defacing district issued equipment in any way. This includes but is not limited to **applying stickers, marking, painting, drawing or marring any surface** of the devices, batteries, power cords/chargers or cases. Students should not remove the District labels/barcodes from their device.
- The device is not to be used as a storage device for papers, notebooks, headphones, and other material. Doing so can cause damage to the device. If such action occurs, the student will be billed the cost of repair or replacement.

E-mail for Students

Purpose:

All students are issued an e-mail account. E-mail allows students to safely and effectively communicate and collaborate with district staff and classmates, giving them an authentic purpose for writing. Teachers may also have other methods of communicating with parents and students. Please refer to your student syllabus for each course on the most effective way to communicate with that teacher.

The effective use of e-mail is:

- A 21st Century communication tool.
- Used in careers and higher education settings.
- A way to meet the National Educational Technology Standards (NETS).

Guidelines and Reminders:

- E-mail should be used for educational purposes only.
- E-mail transmissions are monitored by the district to ensure appropriate use. This means that administrators and teachers may check students' email.
- All e-mails and its/their contents are property of the district. E-mail should only be used by the authorized owner of the account.
- Students should protect their passwords at all times.
- Any suspected breach of a student's assigned School District of Newberry County account should be reported immediately to the student's administrator.

Unacceptable Use Examples:

- Non-education related forwards (e.g. jokes, chain letters, images, etc.).
- Harassment, profanity, obscenity, racist terms.

- Cyber-bullying, hate mail, discriminatory remarks.
- E-mail for individual profit or gain, advertisement, or political activities.

Webcams/Video Instruction

Purpose:

Each student device is equipped with a webcam. This equipment offers students an extraordinary opportunity to experience a 21st Century tool and to develop 21st Century communication skills and participate in virtual instruction.

Examples of Use :

Webcams are to be used for educational purposes only, under the direction of a teacher or parent. Examples include but may not be limited to:

- Recording videos or taking pictures to include in a project.
- Participating in live virtual lessons.
- Recording a student giving a speech and playing it back for rehearsal and improvement.
- Please note that installing Internet calling/video-conferencing software is prohibited on district devices. Software for using the webcam is already installed on the district provided device.

The Assigned Mobile Computing device comes equipped with photo and video capabilities.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that affords parents and students over 18 years of age certain rights with respect to students' educational records including photographs. You can read more about FERPA online at

<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html>

For this reason, students must obtain written permission to publish or make publicly available a photograph or video of any school-related activity. Unauthorized recordings are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the district's Acceptable Use Policy.

The School District of Newberry County retains the rights to any recording and/or publishing of any student or staff member's work or image.

Listening to Music

At School

Listening to music on your device is not allowed during school hours *without permission from the teacher*. Permission will be given only for media used to complete a school assignment.

At Home

Listening to music on your device is allowed at home with permission from parents/guardians.

Watching Videos

Watching non instructional videos on your device is not allowed.

Gaming

At School

Online gaming is not allowed during school hours unless you have been given permission by a teacher. All games must be in support of education.

At Home

Online gaming is allowed at home if all of the following conditions are met:

- The content of the game is school appropriate.
- You have permission from your parent/guardian.
- The game is in support of education.
- All school work is complete.
- No download of any kind is needed.

Personal software is prohibited from being loaded onto district owned-devices.

Printing

Printing at School or at Home

Any documents that require printing should be discussed with your teacher.

Apps and Third Party Extensions

School officials reserve the right to remove any app and/or extension that could interfere with the correct operation of the device and/or other software packages required for instruction. Likewise, school officials reserve the right to add apps and/or extensions to student accounts that are required by teachers for instructional purposes.

Background Images and Screensavers

The background image of devices are set to identify site location and should not be changed.

Copyright and Plagiarism

Students are expected to follow all copyright laws. Duplication and/or distribution of materials for educational purposes is permitted when such duplication and/or distribution would fall within the Fair Use Doctrine of the United States Copyright Law (Title 17, USC).

Academic Honesty

Since many assignments ask for work to be completed online or without direct adult supervision, students agree to practice academic honesty at all times when completing graded or ungraded assignments or assessments. This includes, but is not limited to appropriate citation of sources and uses of Artificial Intelligence. Students should refer to specific assignment guidelines from their teacher to ensure compliance with plagiarism rules. Any issues of academic dishonesty will be directed to the student's administrator and the Behavior Matrix.

Device Internet Shutoff Times

Each night, the SDNC will disable internet access for any school-issued device. Times:

Elementary student internet disabled at 8 p.m.

Middle School student internet disabled at 10 p.m.

High School student internet disabled at Midnight (12 a.m.)

Students may still use their device for school related assignments that do not require the internet.

Technology Discipline

All School District of Newberry County board policies, including, but not limited to [USE OF DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES](#) - [Español](#) will be followed.

Examples of Unacceptable Use

Unacceptable conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Using the network for illegal activities, including copyright, license, or contract violations.
2. Unauthorized downloading or installation of any software including shareware and freeware including but not limited to installing personal software, VPN software, or making any unauthorized changes to the operating system on school devices.
3. Using the network for financial or commercial gain, advertising, or political lobbying.
4. Accessing or exploring online locations or materials that do not support the curriculum and/or are inappropriate for school assignments.
5. Vandalizing and/or tampering with equipment, programs, files, software, network performance or other components of the network; use or possession of hacking software is strictly prohibited.
6. Gaining unauthorized access anywhere on the network.
7. Revealing the home address or phone number of one's self or another person.
8. Invading the privacy of other individuals, which includes the unauthorized disclosure, dissemination, and use of information about anyone that is of a personal nature.
9. Using another user's account or password, or allowing another user to access your account or password.
10. Posting anonymous messages or unlawful information on the network.
11. Participating in cyber-bullying or using objectionable language in public or private messages (e.g., racist, terroristic, abusive, sexually explicit, threatening, stalking, demeaning, or slanderous).
12. Falsifying permission, authorization or identification documents.
13. Obtaining copies of or modifying files, data or passwords belonging to other users on the network.
14. Knowingly placing a computer virus on a computer or network.
15. Attempting to access or accessing sites blocked by the district Internet filtering system.
16. Downloading music, games, images, videos, or other media without the permission of a teacher.
17. Sending or forwarding social or non-school related e-mails.
18. Using someone's else's work as my own, or engaging in academic dishonesty.

Tech-related Behavior Violations	Equivalent “Traditional” Classroom Violations
E-mail, instant messaging, Internet surfing, computer games (off-task behavior)	Passing notes, looking at magazines, games (off-task behavior)
Missing case	No binder/missing supplies
Cutting and pasting without citing sources (Plagiarism)	Plagiarism
Cyber-bullying	Bullying, harassment
Damaging, defacing, or endangering device or accessories	Vandalism, property damage
Using profanity, obscenity, racist terms	Inappropriate language
Accessing pornographic material, inappropriate files, or files dangerous to the integrity of the network	Bringing pornographic or other inappropriate content to school in print form
Using an electronic resources account authorized for another person	Breaking into or using someone else’s locker

Tech Violations <i>Behavior unique to the digital environment without a “traditional” behavioral equivalent</i>
Chronic, tech-related behavior violations (see above)
Deleting browser history
Using electronic resources for individual profit or gain; for product advertisement; for political action or political activities; or for excessive personal use
Making use of the electronic resources in a manner that serves to disrupt the use of the network by others
Unauthorized downloading or installation of software, VPN software or making unauthorized changes to the the operating system/BIOS
Attempts to defeat or bypass the district’s Internet filter
Modification to district browser settings or any other techniques, designed to avoid being blocked from inappropriate content or to conceal Internet activity

Discipline Related to Student Device Use

Use of the technology systems operating in the School District of Newberry County is a privilege and not a right. Violation of the policy and administrative rule concerning the use of technology will result in disciplinary actions similar to other code of conduct violations. The district may remove a user's access to the network without notice at any time if the user is engaged in any unauthorized activity.

Progressive Discipline

- Discipline is progressive. Low-level, first-time infractions will have lesser consequences than infractions that are repetitive or more serious in nature.
- Progressive Discipline Steps Examples
The following are for illustrative purposes only. The appropriate progressive discipline steps for the individual situation would apply.
 - Warnings
 - In-class consequences
 - Parent contact
 - School-based consequences
 - Discipline referral

Formal Discipline

- **Level 1 In-Class consequences:** Students who must be re-directed by their teacher are subject to loss of computer or internet privileges for the remainder of the class period, and parents will be notified. Habitual misuse of technology will result in a formal discipline referral and other disciplinary consequences as outlined in the District Code of Conduct.

- **Level 2 Pattern of abuse or flagrant violations:** Any student who, after a Level 1 consequence, continues to engage in serious or persistent misbehavior by violating the district's previously communicated written standards of conduct may be removed from class and recommended for suspension.

- **Level 3 Expellable offense:** Student could be expelled from school if he/she engages in conduct that contains the elements of the offense of criminal mischief as defined by local, state, and federal law. Expulsion may be considered in flagrant violations that blatantly corrupt the educational value of computers or the Internet or compromise another computer network.

Device Security

Balanced Approach:

Two primary forms of security exist: device security and Internet filtering. Each device has security features built directly into the operating system. The SDNC strives to strike a balance between usability of the equipment and appropriate security to prevent the devices from being damaged or used to cause damage to the district network. Device Security is in place on the device to prevent harmful and prohibited activities. These include downloading or installing software on the devices, removing software, changing system settings, etc.

Internet Filtering:

The SDNC maintains an Internet filtering software package. This program automatically filters all student access to the Internet.

Technology Fee**Required \$25 Technology Fee**

This yearly fee is required of all students in PK-12th grade and is used to cover costs of using 1:1 devices as well as shared technology resources on each campus. The fee must be paid prior to the first day of school unless arrangements have been made and documented in writing. The fee is required of all students in grades PK-12 and must be paid in full by the first day of classes.

Students wishing to provide their own 1:1 device are still required to pay the fee as it is also used to help offset costs of shared technology resources on each campus. Devices that include a district issued case, must remain in the case to be covered under the technology fee procedures for coverage.

The \$25 required fee also covers accidental damage for the year:

1st accident - no cost to repair

2nd accident - \$50 cost (or less if repair is less than \$50)

3rd+ accidents - students/parents may be required to cover all or part of damage cost.

Accidental Damage

Any damages deemed by school and district administrators to be accidental will be covered based on the outline above. Any accidental damage must be reported to the school's administration as soon as possible after the damage occurs.

Intentional Damage

Any damages deemed by school and district administrators to be intentional will incur disciplinary actions based on the Behavior Matrix in addition to covering the full cost of repair, regardless of if the fee was paid.

Lost Equipment**Reporting Process**

If any equipment is lost, the student or parent must report it to the school immediately. Students can let a teacher or administrator know, and the staff member will assist him/her. If it is reported that a student has not brought the device to school for an extended period of time, the school will consider the device to be lost and could charge the student's account for full replacement of the device and its related equipment.

Financial Responsibility

The circumstances of each situation involving lost equipment will be investigated. Students/parents will be held financially responsible for any lost equipment.

Families wishing to be considered for hardships for covering the \$25 required fee should make a written request to their school's principal, so arrangements can be made to assist the student and family.

Stolen Equipment

Reporting Process

If equipment is stolen, the school must be notified and a police report must be filed immediately. A copy of the police report must be provided to the school by the student or parent in a timely manner.

Financial Responsibility

Students/parents will be held financially responsible and can be billed for full replacement costs for stolen equipment. Remember, it is the parent's/student's responsibility to report the theft to the proper police and school authorities immediately upon incident.

After investigation, if a device is deemed lost, the school will make a determination regarding a replacement device. The required technology fee (\$25 per year) will not offset the costs of lost devices or equipment.

Equipment

Student laptops, iPads or other equipment remains the property of the School District of Newberry County. Devices and equipment should be treated with care and responsibility, and misuse may result in financial and/or disciplinary consequences.

Any theft or damages not reported prior to device turn-in or end of year collection will be charged to the student regardless of the cause. It is your responsibility to immediately report any device damage or theft. The price that the district paid for the device includes the device, case, charger, and battery. If the device is damaged as a result of neglect or abuse, the student will be charged the full repair price. The required technology fee (\$25 per year) will not offset the costs of repair due to intentional device damage or equipment.

How to protect your device

The best way to avoid damages to your device is to carry it in a protective case, use it only as needed for school assignments, keep it away from food and drinks, do not allow anyone else to use your device, do not place anything on the keyboard when closing, do not leave it unattended or in an unlocked car, and treat the device as you would your own property.

Transfer or Withdrawal

The district-issued device is owned by the School District of Newberry County. If the student withdraws from the district, the device must be returned to the zoned school. If the device is not returned within ten days of withdrawal, the district will file a police report for stolen equipment. If a student transfers from one school to another in our district, they will take the device with them.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Students should report any damage or technical issues to their teacher, who may ask the student to confer with the school media specialist or Technology Teacher Leader. The school will provide additional assistance in troubleshooting any issues, issuing a loaner device, and/or completing a work order for additional support. Support materials can also be found on the district website at <http://www.newberry.k12.sc.us>.

Repair and Replacement

Refer to page 14 for more information about the Technology Fee.

Estimated Device Replacement Costs* *Prices may vary based on purchasing cost fluctuations. [Replacement and Repair Costs - Updated Link](#)

Apple:

- iPad \$427
- iPad Charging brick - \$15
- iPad charging cable- \$6
- iPad Charger with cable \$22
- iPad Case \$30
- Ipad Screen Protector - \$26 for both 9.7" and 10.2" screen
- iPad Screen \$75
- iPad headphone jack replacement \$99

Dell:

- Dell Laptop \$538 (to purchase new 3310 or 3120 laptop)
- Dell Charger \$65
- Dell Laptop Screen *chart below
- Dell laptop keyboard \$25
- Dell Bezel around LCD screen - \$8
- Dell 3310/3410 front or back cover - \$40 each
- Dell 3180/3190 palmrest/cover - \$20
- Dell 3310/3410 audio port - \$10
- Dell Charger \$65
- Dell hinges- (requires cover to be replaced)- \$40

Screens:

- Lat 3180/3190 are \$65
- Lat 3010 are \$75
- Lat 3310 are \$75
- Lat 3410 are \$60
- Lat 3120 are \$183.12 (touchscreen)

Student Internet/computer use agreement

As a student, I have read the [USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES STUDENT CONSENT FORM - Español](#) and [USE OF DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - Español](#). I understand that these privileges are designed for educational purposes. I understand the School District of Newberry County has taken precautions to prevent access to controversial Internet material. However, I also recognize that it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial materials and will not hold the district responsible for controversial materials accessed on school grounds. I hereby understand and agree to the privileges to utilize the district provided device.

Print student name: _____

Student signature: _____

Date: _____ Print grade: _____

Parent/Legal guardian Acceptable Use Agreement

As the parent/legal guardian of this student, I have read the [USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES STUDENT CONSENT FORM - Español](#) and [USE OF DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - Español](#). I understand that these privileges are designed for educational purposes. I understand the School District of Newberry County has taken precautions to prevent access to controversial Internet material. However, I also recognize that it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial materials and will not hold the district responsible for controversial materials accessed on school grounds. I hereby give permission to my child to utilize the district provided device.

Print Parent/Legal guardian name: _____

Parent/Legal guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Failure to sign the letter of agreement will result in the loss of device and/or Internet privileges for that student.

SDNC 1:1 - Parent/Guardian Device Agreement

**This agreement must be signed before a student will be issued a device.
Parents/Guardians may also complete this agreement through online registration.**

Student's Full Name (Please Print): _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Based on my signature below, I acknowledge that I have read and agreed to the [USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES STUDENT CONSENT FORM - Español](#) and THE SDNC 1:1 HANDBOOK for 2025-2026. I agree to be responsible for the actual repair or replacement cost for lost devices, negligent or malicious damages as outlined in the Handbook. I agree to file a police report if the device is stolen and provide a copy to the school administration. I also agree to the use of the device solely for educational purposes that may include for live virtual teaching and meetings. I understand that it is my responsibility to exhibit academic integrity throughout my educational experiences and to avoid all forms of academic dishonesty.

Parent Name (Print): _____

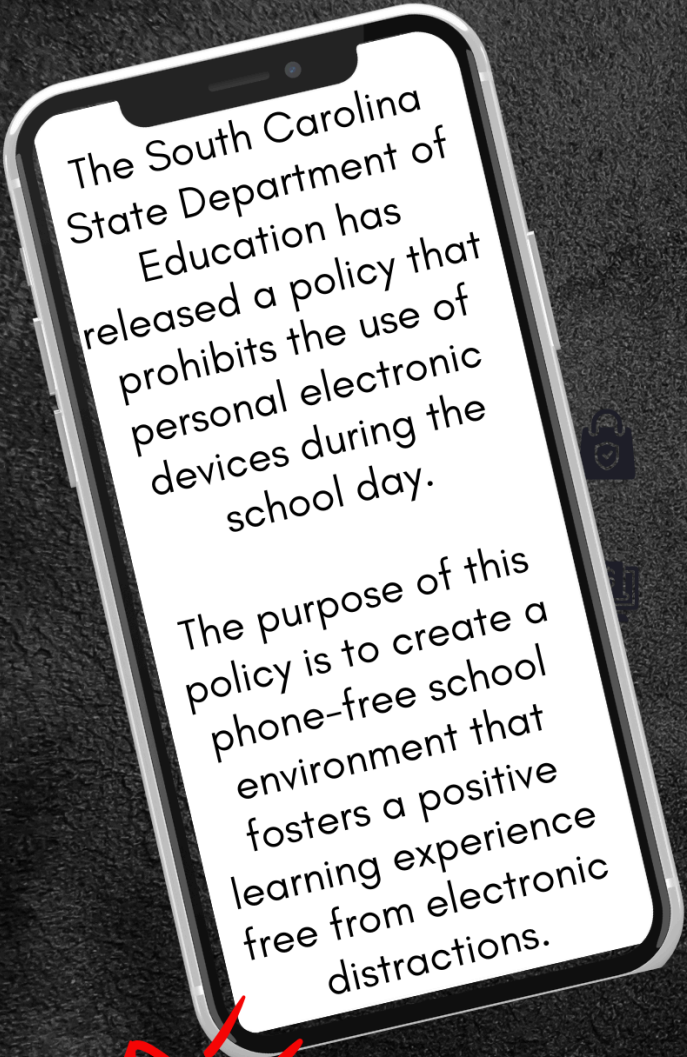
Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Name (Print): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

FREE TO FOCUS

BEGINNING JANUARY 6TH, 2025

A graphic of a smartphone tilted to the right. The screen displays two paragraphs of text. The background of the phone is white, and the text is black. The phone has a black bezel and a notch at the top.

The South Carolina State Department of Education has released a policy that prohibits the use of personal electronic devices during the school day.

The purpose of this policy is to create a phone-free school environment that fosters a positive learning experience free from electronic distractions.

DURING THE SCHOOL DAY, STUDENTS ARE PROHIBITED FROM ACCESSING THEIR PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES. STUDENTS MAY NOT WEAR OR ACCESS DEVICE ACCESSORIES DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, CELL PHONES, SMART WATCHES, TABLETS, AND GAMING DEVICES.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

<p>WHAT ARE PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES?</p>	<p>Personal electronic devices are referred to as “device,” means any device utilized to access the internet, wi-fi, cellular telephone signals, or to capture images or video. This includes, but is not limited to, cell phones, smart watches, tablets, and gaming devices.</p>
<p>WHAT ARE PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICE ACCESSORIES?</p>	<p>Personal electronic device accessories are referred to as “device accessories,” include any wired or wireless accessory or wearable technology that connects to a device and any other accessory commonly used in conjunction with a personal electronic device.</p>
<p>WHAT IS CONSIDERED THE SCHOOL DAY?</p>	<p>The school day is defined as the period of time that a student is present on the school campus from their arrival (i.e., tardy bell) until afternoon dismissal through the end of the instructional day. This policy may also apply to school buses, field trips, and athletic events. The applicability of this regulation to these activities will be determined by the school district.</p>
<p>WHAT IS MEANT BY THE TERM “ACCESS”?</p>	<p>Access is defined as viewing, holding, wearing, or otherwise using a device for the purpose of communication, internet access, gaming, recording, or any other function commonly associated with devices. During the school day, devices should be powered off and stored in bookbags. Exceptions granted for medical necessity, authorized for classroom use, or other authorized reasons should be in writing and are not considered violations of this definition.</p>
<p>HOW DO I CONTACT MY CHILD DURING THE SCHOOL DAY?</p>	<p>Parents or guardians needing to reach their child during school hours should contact the school’s main office. If a student needs to get in touch with a parent or guardian, they may use the phone provided in the main office.</p>
<p>HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED OF AN EMERGENCY?</p>	<p>Each school has a detailed emergency plan. Parents will receive timely updates and notifications regarding emergencies through the school or district communication systems. To ensure effective communication, parents and guardians are encouraged to verify that their contact information in PowerSchool is current and that they have enabled text messaging for district alerts.</p>
<p>WHAT HAPPENS IF A STUDENT VIOLATES THE RULE?</p>	<p>The student will be subject to progressive consequences in the SDNC’s Code of Conduct.</p>
<p>WHAT HAPPENS IF A STUDENT REFUSES TO SILENCE AND PUT AWAY THE DEVICE?</p>	<p>If a student is instructed to power off, silence, and put away a cell phone or electronic device but refuses to comply, this will be considered an act of defiance. Such behavior will be addressed according to the SDNC’s Code of Conduct.</p>
<p>WHAT IS THE “FREE TO FOCUS” INITIATIVE?</p>	<p>The South Carolina Department of Education’s Free to Focus program aims to promote a phone-free school environment to enhance learning by eliminating electronic distractions.</p> <p>Research indicates that reducing or removing student cell phone usage at school contributes to improved academic performance, decreased disruptions and conflicts, better mental health for students, and increased school safety. For more information and research about the Free to Focus initiative, visit the South Carolina Department of Education’s website.</p>