

## **Lethbridge School Division Technology Acceptable Use Agreement**

1. Students are responsible for demonstrating acceptable behaviour when communicating and using devices and accounts. All students who are granted access to Lethbridge School Division systems and equipment must comply with Division policy, procedure and school standards.
2. Digital access is provided for students to conduct research and communicate with others for educational purposes. Such access is provided to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Access must be recognized and accepted as a privilege – not a right. Access entails responsibility by the user.
3. Digital information storage will be treated like other school property such as textbooks, school desks or lockers. System or school personnel may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. No information stored on Division accounts is considered private.
4. Within reason, freedom of speech and access to information will be honoured by the Division. However, during school, teachers will monitor and guide students toward the use of appropriate materials. Students utilizing Division accounts outside of school facilities bear the same responsibility for adhering to Lethbridge School Division policies and procedures.
5. Students must comply with school rules related to devices and accounts. Conduct that violates this acceptable use agreement includes, but is not limited to, activities in the following list:
  - a. Using another user's account or password, or trespassing in another user's folders, work or files;
  - b. Spreading, purposefully retrieving or displaying offensive messages or graphics;
  - c. Using obscene language;
  - d. Gaining access to or participating in unapproved electronic "chat" line sites;
  - e. Mounting inappropriate or offensive material as part of a webpage, including, but not limited to, links to other websites/webpages that may contain such material;
  - f. Harassing, insulting or attacking others using an electronic format;
  - g. Damaging computers, computer systems or computer networks;
  - h. Engaging in practices that may compromise the integrity of the network (i.e., downloading files, without permission, that may introduce a virus to the system);
  - i. Violating copyright laws;
  - j. Plagiarizing information from existing sources.
6. Failure to comply with any of the provisions outlined in this agreement may result in a loss of access or other disciplinary actions.

### **Parent/Guardian Technology Consent**

I/We confirm that I/we have discussed with our child their responsibilities as a student as described above.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date