

## Pearl-Cohn High School Technology Fair Use Policy

Pearl-Cohn is committed to supporting students and faculty in creating a prevailing digital learning environment to maximize learning by fully integrating relevant technology into instruction and academic content. The goal is a learning environment in which students and faculty can communicate, collaborate, and create as a part of their daily learning experiences. At Pearl-Cohn, we provide the appropriate technologies that students need for each instructional course. Students are assigned laptops and disseminated other technologies within the classroom. All broken and/or missing technologies should be reported to our school librarian.

Pearl-Cohn permits the use of technology such as laptops, iPad, and/or other teacher approved technologies. Cellphones are prohibited in the classroom and must be stowed away. Cellphones should remain on a silent or airplane mode to prevent the disruption of academic instruction.

## **Technology Rules**

- 1. Not all online information is in the public domain; students may not violate intellectual property rights.
- 2. Students may not use their digital devices as a server in any way (web server, print server, file server, etc.) without the express written consent of the technology director.
- 3. Students may not use apps and/or AI (artificial intelligence programs) like PhotoMath, Essay Generator, and etc. within their instructional assignments.
- 4. Students are fully responsible for the files on their digital devices and the use of all materials, files, apps, and etc.
- 5. Pearl-Cohn prohibits the use of school digital devices for inappropriate activities including, harassment via email, online social media, mobile apps, by phone call, text message or voicemail and/or illegal activities.
- 6. Students may not engage in business endeavors independent from school courses using school digital devices.
- 7. Students may not possess or use programs that could be used to compromise the school network or computer security, e.g., hacking tools.
- 8. Students may not do anything that interferes with the smooth operation of Pearl-Cohn's local area network, Internet access, or network services.
- Pearl-Cohn High School reserves the right to investigate use using MNPS Handbook and Technology policy to determine what is appropriate use and what constitutes a violation of appropriate use of technology at school.
- 10. Pearl-Cohn High School reserves the right to examine the contents of personal electronics on the school property at any time. This includes, but is not limited to: computers, cell phones,



cameras, and personal digital assistants. If any inappropriate material is found, collaborative referrals, administrative referrals, and the appropriate procedures will be followed.

Students shall understand that should they be found in violation of this policy, the consequences could include, but are not limited to; restricting access to the device, disabling device features or applications, the revocation of all network access, parent meetings, collaborative referrals, discipline referrals, or other discipline policies as stated in MNPS Discipline Handbook not limited to suspension or exclusion from school, or legal action by the authorities. Students or parents should contact the district or school administration if they have any questions about this agreement or its implementation.