



Lee-Scott Academy Responsible Use of Technology Grades 5-12

General Statement of Policy and Educational Purpose

Technology offers a multitude of global opportunities, and one objective of Lee-Scott Academy is to encourage and facilitate appropriate student access to those opportunities. Our goal in this is to enhance the educational development of our students. LSA provides the privilege of access to its computer network, technology tools, and the Internet for educational purposes only. This access will be available to students as long as they use it in a responsible, efficient, courteous and legal manner. Misuse of this privilege may lead to discipline of the offender.

All school Internet use is filtered and monitored at all times.

The guidelines stated in this policy apply to any and all student use of electronic devices - including iPads, MacBooks, phones, and wearable technology - on the LSA campus or for LSA assigned work, regardless of ownership of the device.

All physical or technical repairs or support of school-owned devices should **ONLY** be completed by the LSA Technology Department. Financial liability related to breakage, damage, loss, or theft of school-owned devices is the responsibility of the student or his/her family. Any such damage or loss should be reported immediately to the LSA Technology Department who will provide further information regarding the specific financial liability. Such liability could include the repair or total replacement cost of the device.

Terms of Use

Students will adhere to these guidelines each time a device is used on the LSA campus or for LSA assigned work.

Students will:

- Only be allowed to bring to campus **either** an iPad **or** MacBook (not both) that has been profiled by the LSA Technology Department.
- Make sure devices are fully charged and ready to use for an entire school day. Students must not assume that they will be able to use a charger at school. Failure to have a charged device in class could result in a grade penalty.
- Assume responsibility for keeping devices safe and secure at all times. Notify the Technology Support Center immediately if a device is lost, stolen or damaged.
- Use appropriate language in all communications, avoiding profanity, obscenity, and offensive or inflammatory speech. Students will never use any form of electronic communication to harass, frighten or bully anyone. Speech that is not appropriate for

class is not appropriate in technology-enabled communication. Any misbehavior is to be reported to responsible school personnel immediately.

- Protect their own and others' private information. Students will not share last names, usernames, passwords, home addresses, telephone numbers, or other identifying information in online public forums. Students will not share their usernames and passwords with anyone. Teachers may have access to student login information for assistance purposes only.
- Use all technology equipment carefully and not damage, change or tamper with the hardware, settings or the network.
- Understand that academic content takes precedence over personal files and apps. Personal files and apps must be removed if space limitations require it for completion of academic projects.
- Obey copyright laws. Students will always give credit for using someone else's words, images or ideas. Not giving credit for using work found online is a form of plagiarism and will be treated in the same manner as other incidents of plagiarism. When possible, students will obtain permission before using someone else's work. Students will not install, save, or transmit illegal copies of programs or files. This is commonly known as "pirating" and is strictly prohibited.
- Print only when and where the teacher tells them.
- Turn on (and keep turned on) iCloud backup. It is recommended that you also back up documents and other school work to an alternate cloud storage system, such as Google Drive (connected to your LSA email) or Dropbox. Lost or damaged data is not the responsibility of LSA.
- Make available for inspection by an administrator or teacher upon request any messages or files sent or received at any Internet location. Files stored and information accessed, downloaded or transferred on devices or networks that are school-owned are not private.
- Understand that their school-issued Google Apps accounts are school-owned and therefore subject to periodic and arbitrary monitoring by LSA Administration. This includes, but is not limited to, the following apps within the Google Suite that may be associated with a lee-scott.org address: Gmail, Google Drive, Google Sites, Blogger, YouTube, Calendar, and Groups.
- Use protective covers or cases on their devices at all times while on LSA Campus.
- Set passcodes on devices to prevent others from misusing them. If requested, students must provide their passcodes to the LSA Technology Director or teachers to allow access to verify compliance with the LSA Responsible Use Policy.
- School-owned devices must be connected to the LSA network while on campus. **Using any student-owned device as a wireless hotspot is strictly prohibited.**

Students will not:

- Subvert or circumvent the LSA network rules, proxies, filters or other settings, such as VPN (Virtual Private Network).
- Download and/or install any programs, files or games onto any school-owned devices, unless instructed to do so by a teacher or administrator.
- Change the device name or otherwise modify the LSA profile.
- Engage in gaming activities during instructional times.
- Create, view, send or display inappropriate pictures, videos, text or websites. Any misbehavior is to be reported to responsible school personnel immediately.
- Use a camera, a video camera, or a microphone to take or share pictures, recordings, or

videos of people or events without permission from the specific individual or responsible party.

- Post videos, pictures, and/or recordings of LSA or students, activities, and events on the internet in a public forum without the express permission of the teacher and/or administration.
- Use a camera and/or a microphone on LSA property unless permission is granted by a teacher or administrator.
- Use technology devices to cheat on schoolwork.
- Change, delete, or move anyone's work besides their own.
- Use any electronic device at school or any e-mail account other than their LSA-issued account without expressed teacher permission.
- Modify or remove the Apple operating system. This refers to the process commonly known as "jailbreaking", and is strictly prohibited. Jailbreaking will cause the device to be vulnerable to security breaches and at risk for losing data. Not only will jailbreaking invalidate our Apple warranty and any AppleCare package, but can also jeopardize our network at LSA.

Profiles and Filtering

Profiles are installed on school-owned devices in order to give students age-appropriate access to media available for download such as music, movies, and apps.

LSA's website filtering program limits any student access to content available through an Internet browser. When connected to any Wi-Fi network, student devices will be protected by a filter so that content from Internet browsers will only include educationally appropriate materials.

Monitoring

Lee-Scott Academy reserves the right to inspect any device in use by a student on the LSA campus, without prior notification. If a student is found to be in violation of any of the guidelines expressed here, LSA further reserves the right to enforce appropriate consequences. Such consequences could include, but is not limited to:

- 1st offense: device taken away for 1 day, parent notification
- 2nd offense: device taken away for 3 days, parent notification
- 3rd offense: device taken away for 5 days, parent notification, format device to "school-controlled" for 1 week where applicable
- Any subsequent offenses: Administrator's discretion

Students are still responsible for assignments during the time they are on restriction.

Any additional violations of the policy could result in losing the privilege of using an LSA device or student-owned device on campus.

Students are to report any known violations of this Responsible Use Policy to appropriate LSA teachers or administrators.

LSA takes no responsibility for unauthorized student activities that take place while not on campus. Nor does LSA take responsibility for unauthorized materials students store on the

devices, the LSA network, or within an LSA-issued account.

Compliance

LSA encourages use of its technology resources to further sound educational aims and expand the options of students to facilitate the pursuit of knowledge. If misused, Lee-Scott Academy reserves the right to confiscate and search any device to ensure compliance with this Responsible Use Policy. Violations of any of the provisions of this Responsible Use Policy may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action as determined by the honor code, LSA administration, or legal authorities.

Parent Responsibility

Outside of school, parents bear responsibility for the same guidance of Internet use as they exercise with other information sources such as television, telephones, movies, radio and other potentially offensive media. Parents are responsible for monitoring their students' use of technology, including student access of LSA resources from home or a remote location.

LSA recommends that parents and students discuss these privileges and responsibilities and commit to positive use of all technology resources, both school and student-owned.