

## **Elearning/Distance Learning Parent Permission/Usage Form**

During school closings or when **HCS is operating on a hybrid schedule**, we want every student to have the resources he/she needs to have a productive learning situation; therefore, we are providing the opportunity for your student to take a device home with him/her for use in our **eLearning/Distance Learning** program. **When students return to school in a full-time face-to-face instructional setting, middle and elementary students will not take the device home with them.**

### **Parent Permission**

I give permission for my child to participate in Personalized Digital Learning as described below. By accepting this agreement I understand:

- Horry County Schools will issue a digital device to my child to use as a tool to enhance daily instruction.
- This device is subject to inspection at any time without notice and remains the property of Horry County Schools.
- I agree to the stipulations set forth by Horry County Schools' Acceptable Use Policy, which can be found online at [www.horrycountyschools.net](http://www.horrycountyschools.net) (Policy and Legal Department).
- My child has a district-provided email account that will be used for instructional communications and setting up other accounts for instructional use.
- I give permission for the district to assist my child with the creation of all individual accounts required to access online instructional content and applications including, but not limited, to Apple ID for Students, Google for Education, and other online resources assigned by the teacher.
- I give permission for my child to access sites and applications referenced above for instructional purposes.
- My child will be responsible for all damage or loss caused by neglect or abuse.

### **Student Agreement**

Students will be required to agree to and abide by the conditions listed below before receiving a device for home use during the **2020-21** school year.

Student Pledge for Use of District-Owned Personal Mobile Computing Devices:

- I will take proper care of the personal mobile computing device and be accountable for it at all times.
- I will not lend the personal mobile computing device, charger and cords to others.
- I will not share my personal login account or attempt to use the account of anyone else.
- I will keep food and beverages away from the personal mobile computing device.
- I will not disassemble any part of the personal mobile computing device, nor attempt repairs.
- I will not remove or delete district-required applications, profiles or restrictions nor attempt to access or alter other accounts or devices.
- I will protect the personal mobile computing device.
- I will save data/files in a safe and accessible location. Network/cloud-based storage should be used to avoid data loss due to device issues. Students are ultimately responsible for saving all data/files.
- I will not place decorations (such as stickers, markings, etc.) on the personal mobile computing device.
- I will not deface the serial number, manufacturer labels or district labels on any personal mobile computing device.
- I will follow district policies outlined in the Personal Mobile Computing Guide and the district's Acceptable Use Policy.
- I will notify my teacher or administrator immediately if the device has been lost, stolen or vandalized.
- I will be responsible for all damage or loss caused by neglect or abuse.
- I agree to return the personal mobile computing device and power cords in good working order at the end of the school closures, **the end of distance learning on the Hybrid model**, or upon my leaving the district for any reason.

When using network and Internet resources, I will:

- Use the Internet for legitimate educational purposes
- Not attempt to download or save files to the device without teacher approval
- Not search for, download or print any material that violates school handbook codes regarding possession or display of inappropriate, offensive or vulgar material, or assist any other student in such activities
- Not harass, insult, or attack others via electronic communications
- Not attempt to damage or alter computers, computer systems, computer networks or mobile devices, including settings and installed software
- Not violate copyright laws, including the use or possession of bootleg software, music or movies
- Not attempt to trespass in another's folders, work, files or devices or use any accounts other than my own



I understand that my participation in any violation of these items above will result in disciplinary action set forth in Horry County Schools' Policy Manual, which can be found online at www.horrycountyschools.net, including possible loss of access privileges to such resources.

**Technology Fee**

We want every student to have access to a device at home PROVIDED the parent is in agreement. If the parent has already paid the original \$25 technology fee during the 2020-21 registration process, he/she does not need to do so again. If you elect to take a device home and have not previously paid the \$25 Technology Fee, you have the option to pay the \$25 fee when device is picked up from the school. A payment may be made through My Payments Plus (http://www.mypaymentsplus.com) or through the school's bookkeeper. This fee will offset any fines that may be assessed should the device be damaged or stolen. Devices that are damaged or lost due to abuse or neglect are not covered by the technology fee. Devices that are stolen are covered if a police report is provided to the school. You will be able to secure a PDL device from the school where your child attends; however, if you elect NOT to pay the Technology Fee, the student/parent will assume full responsibility in the event the device is damaged, lost, or stolen.

I understand that my participation in any violation of these items above will result in disciplinary action set forth in Horry County Schools' 2020-2021 Policy Manual, which can be found online at www.horrycountyschools.net, including possible loss of access privileges to such resources.

**DEVICE REQUESTED**

Please provide a device for my student to take home during school closures. I understand that if I do not pay \$25 Technology Fee, that I will assume full responsibility in the event of the device is damaged, lost, or stolen.

Student's School: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print) (Date)

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print) (Date)

**NOTE: The student MUST return the device to the school when schools are back in session. Failure to do so will result in the parent being responsible for the full replacement cost.**

**For School Use Only**

Device Issued: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Device Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Charger Issues: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Technology Fee (\$25) Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Not Paid \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please enter student and device information into TNT.