## **Purpose**

Midland Public Schools believes that providing students with state-of-the-art technology will enhance the overall learning experience, improve student achievement, and better prepare our children to be successful contributors in a society dependent on technology. Midland Public Schools will assign each student a device as a tool in their educational experience.

## **Terms of Agreement**

With each device assigned comes an increased level of responsibility. While these devices are the property of Midland Public Schools, the student and parents/guardians must ensure the device is properly cared for and remains in good working condition. In addition, it is important that each student practice good digital citizenship and make responsible choices when using the device. By signing this form, both the student and parents/guardians agree to abide by the following terms:

- 1. Any use of this device must fully comply with the Midland Public Schools Code of Student Conduct.
- 2. The use of the device is a privilege, and with that privilege, all users have no expectation of privacy, as noted in Board of Education policies 5208 and 3116.
- 3. Students will use the device as part of planned instruction at any time during the school day designated by the teacher.
- 4. If the device is allowed to be taken from school, the student is responsible for transporting it to and from school on a daily basis. The device is expected to be fully charged when it arrives at school in the morning.
- 5. Student will not trade devices with other students.
- 6. Student agrees to use the device for educational purposes only, as defined within the district Acceptable Use Policy.
- 7. If the device is damaged, it must be reported to the media center, a teacher, or a building administrator immediately.
- 8. Students should only connect to the designated Midland Public Schools wireless network while at school and are NOT to connect to any other wireless network, including personal wifi hotspots.
- 9. Students are NOT to personalize the device and/or case with stickers, labels, markers, etc. unless their teacher advises them for district purposes.
- 10. MPS has the right to assign apps or software to the device.
- 11. Student is responsible for remembering their username and password and changing their password. Passwords must be changed at least once per semester.
- 12. Student is responsible for downloading and updating apps with parent and/or teacher supervision.
- 13. Students shall only use their Midland Public Schools credentials when adding software to the device.
- 14. MPS reserves the right to blacklist any apps deemed inappropriate for the classroom or a distraction to the learning environment.

- 15. Student is responsible for backing up their data that exists on the device. MPS will NOT back up the content stored on the device.
- 16. The MPS Information Technology department can remotely manage the device and may need to track, lock, and/or wipe it for security reasons.
- 17. Student is responsible for returning the device and associated peripherals to the school by graduation, the last day of the school year, or *immediately* upon leaving the district, whichever applies.
- 18. MPS has the right to inspect the content of any device at any time.
- 19. Students are not to delete or remove any apps or profiles assigned by Midland Public Schools unless otherwise instructed to do so.

## Repair/Replacement Program

## **Device Insurance**

- All families are encouraged to pay for the available insurance premium through MPS. Families that do not
  pay the insurance are responsible for the full cost of any repairs/replacement needed due to accidental or
  intentional damage to the equipment or due to loss. Manufacturing defects are repaired by the school
  district at no cost to the family.
  - Payment can be made online through SchoolPay (preferred) at https://www.schoolpay.com, in cash, or by check through the main office of your student's school.
- If you elect to use the insurance, you must pay before picking up the device. Payments can be made starting on July 1, 2024, until the device pick-up date. If an option is not elected by the Friday of the second week after the start of school, you will be automatically opted out of the insurance program, and a device will be issued to the student once a signed device agreement is received.
- Yearly insurance The annual premium for the device insurance will be divided between the regular rate
  per student and a free/reduced eligible rate. A free and reduced application must be submitted and
  approved for this school year to get the free and reduced rate. Applications for the free and reduced
  program can be made through the Food Services Family Portal at the following URL:
  https://midland.familyportal.cloud/
  - The regular rate this year is \$30.00/student
  - The free/reduced rate is \$10.00/free and reduced certified student
- Along with the annual premium, there is no per-incident co-pay, with the exception of devices that are
  lost, stolen, or beyond economical repair due to negligence or extreme damage:
  - In the above instance, the family is billed the full cost of repair or replacement (whichever is cheaper).
- The power adapter is not covered by the insurance.
- In case of theft, a police report must be filed and submitted to the student's school before a new device is issued.

- Intentional damage or damage caused by gross negligence is not covered by the insurance and will be billed at full repair or replacement cost, whichever is least expensive.
- The full replacement cost must be paid to replace the device in the event of loss or theft.
- Appeal of a disposition of gross negligence or intentional damage will be heard by the Associate
   Superintendent of School Administration and Innovative Programming. The appellate decision is final.

If the device requires repairs or replacement, the student will be issued a loaner device, subject to availability. MPS will make every attempt to ensure the device is returned to the student as soon as possible. I have read and understand the terms defined within the Midland Public Schools Student Device Agreement. I will ensure that my student abides by these terms, and therefore, to the following: I agree to the terms defined within this user agreement and opt IN to pay the insurance this year. I will then decide each year whether or not to opt in or opt out of the insurance program. (\$30 per student. If free/reduced application on file with MPS, \$10 per student) I agree to the terms defined within this user agreement but opt NOT to pay the insurance. By choosing this, I understand and agree that I will be responsible for the cost of all repairs to or loss of the device. Building Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name — Student Signature -Parent/Guardian Name (Print) ——— Date — Parent/Guardian Signature -

A copy of this agreement may be accessed on the Midland Public Schools website.