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Sumner County Schools believes all students should be adequately prepared to function as citizens in an increasingly digital world. To this end, SCS uses free and purchased resources to train students in technology skills, digital literacy skills, and digital citizenship skills they will need to succeed in college, in their careers, and in their relationships with other digital citizens.

SCS strives to remain current and well-educated in new technologies, helping learners understand how to use new technology successfully and appropriately. SCS allows families to determine the parameters for time spent on or off devices, and SCS supports parental decisions about the degree of technology use inside their homes. SCS also recognizes the need for digital health and wellness education and strives to help students maintain a healthy balance between online activities and relationships with the other activities and relationships in their lives. Students are to always follow all the SCS Responsible Use Agreement and provisions stated in the school board policy.

SCS may use any means available to request the removal of information on personal websites or social media sites that substantially disrupt the school environment. SCS recognizes and communicates that it is unlawful to publicly post or share pictures or media of other individuals without the consent of the parents of minors.

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District-issued student devices are configured so that the student can log in under their assigned network username and password. In accordance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), all devices reside on the district's network. The district maintains an Internet content filter. Filtering, however, is not as reliable as adult supervision. Student Internet use on district-issued devices will be filtered through the district's Internet content filter regardless of home or school use. There should be no expectation of privacy when using appliances and curriculum resources. When students are on campus or at home using school-provided devices, the filter kicks content back to our server. The filter can be programmed to add or remove blocks or allow additional content for educational purposes. Any attempts to bypass the filter or visit unacceptable sites violate the Responsible Use Agreement. While it is impossible to predict with certainty what information on the internet students may access or obtain, school district personnel shall take every reasonable precaution to prevent students from accessing material and information that is obscene or otherwise harmful to minors, including violence, nudity, or graphic language. These procedures comply with board policy and the mandates of CIPA. Sumner County Schools is not responsible for the content accessed by users who connect to the internet via their mobile technology.

When using school or district-provided software or programs, special permission is required to post pictures or videos that include students' images. School district personnel follow strict guidelines to protect student privacy, and all students and families should seek approval from school personnel to post videos or pictures that include students. Parents should consider the terms and conditions of use and any legal responsibilities before allowing minors' photos, audio, or video to be posted online when using any software or programs. We take student privacy seriously. Per district policy, cyberbullying is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Students must not share their log-in information and passwords with other students, and students should not loan out a device or log in as someone else.

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The board recognizes that parents of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards their children should follow when using media and information sources. Accordingly, before a student may independently access the Internet, the student's parents must be aware that the student could obtain access to inappropriate material while engaged in the independent use of the Internet. The parent and student must consent to the student's independent use of the Internet and monitor the student's email and Google communication by school personnel.

In addition to the board's goals and visions for technology, students may require accounts in third-party systems for school-related projects designed to assist students in mastering effective and proper online communications or meet other educational goals. When necessary, parental permissions will be obtained to create and manage such critical third-party accounts.

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Technology made available to students and staff in the Sumner County Schools is provided to enhance learning and improve communication. The Board of Education has established policies (4.406 and 4.401) to govern student and employee use of these resources. Using school district technological resources on district-owned devices or personal devices, including access to the internet, is a *privilege*, not a right. Individual users of the Iedk

against the board, as a response to public records requests, or as evidence of illegal activity in a criminal investigation.

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The board makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for its service. The committee will not be responsible for any damages suffered by any user. Such damages include, but are not limited to, loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, or service interruptions, whether caused by the school districts or the user's negligence, errors, or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the internet is at the user's own risk. The school district expressly disclaims any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its internet services.

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- 1. A 9th Generation Apple iPad
- 2. A Logitech Rugged 3 Touch case with a full keyboard and a trackpad
- 3. Apple charging block and cord: USB-C to lightning

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iPads will be distributed at each school following an iPad expectations presentation. Parents and students must sign and return Sumner County's Responsible Use Agreement prior to receiving their iPad. Students must also pass a brief assessment to demonstrate their understanding of district expectations.

An iPad will be assigned to each secondary student, grades sixth through twelfth. The student is responsible for the device and is expected to follow the expectations outlined in this document. The device will travel with the student and will be taken home each day for charging.

iPads will be collected at the end of each school year for maintenance, cleaning and software installations. We will collect the iPad, the charger block and the cord from each student at the close of the school year. The iPad's assets tag will be matched to the student, and the iPad will be returned to the school's inventory. Students will be provided an iPad at the beginning of each school year.

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Students are responsible for the general care of the iPad they have been issued by the school. iPads that are broken or fail to work properly must be reported to the schools' administration and Instructional Technology Coach. All maintenance is provided by Sumner County Schools following the policies and procedures outlined in this document.

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- 1. No food or drink is allowed next to your iPad while it is in use or in a backpack.
- 2. Students should never carry their iPad while the screen is open.
- 3. iPad cases must remain free of any writing, drawing, stickers, or labels that are not the property of Sumner County Schools.
- 4. iPads should never be removed from the case.

- 5. iPads must never be left in a car or any unsupervised area (including lockers).6. Students are responsible for keeping their assigned iPad's batter

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24/7 priority access to Apple experts via chat or phone Dedicated support available at 1-800-800-2775, option 3 Using iPadOS and iCloud

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