



Georgia School for the Deaf

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STUDENT TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CONTRACT

The guidelines in this contract protect users of technology resources (Reference: Acceptable Use Guidelines for Technology Resources, State Schools, SS-4003). Violation of the Technology Resource Contract may result in disciplinary action and may include legal action brought against you by local, state or federal authorities.

Technology Resources as defined in the GaDOE Acceptable Use Guidelines for Technology Resources, State Schools: The State Schools' computer system and networks are any configuration of hardware and software. The systems and networks include all of the computer hardware, operating system software, application software, stored text and data files. This includes electronic mail, local databases, externally accessed databases (such as the internet), CD-ROM, optical media, clip art, digital images, digitized information, communication technologies, and new technologies as they become available.

The Georgia School for the Deaf is not responsible for the loss/theft/breakage of the device, and you must follow these rules.

1. Technology resources are provided for instructional purposes only, during school hours. Other uses may be permitted after school hours according to school policy. E-mail and Instant Messaging are not permitted during school time unless part of instruction.
2. You may only use the technology devices assigned to you. You cannot lend your laptop to another student. You cannot borrow a laptop from another student. The laptop is being loaned to you. It is the property of the Georgia School for the Deaf and the State of Georgia.
3. You are responsible for all activity while logged in under your user name and password. For this reason, you may not share your password with other students or non-GSD staff.
4. Your laptop is not private. The staff has the right to monitor your use of all technology including the laptop and any other computer at GSD, as well as your internet traffic.
5. You may not send threatening, harassing or inappropriate communication to anyone. If you receive any communication that makes you uncomfortable, you should report it immediately to a GSD staff member.
6. You cannot intentionally send, receive or view pornography.
7. You cannot take photos or send photos of another person without their permission.
8. You cannot use any device to take inappropriate photos of yourself or other students. Inappropriate means nudity, pornography, or sex photos, or photos of violence of any kind.
9. You cannot intentionally view a web site blocked by the school's content filter. This includes using proxy server sites.
10. Do not provide your personal information, another person's information or school information to anyone other than GSD staff or faculty. Do not give your screen name to strangers. If you get a message from a stranger, tell your GSD supervisor or teacher. Do not respond to a stranger.
11. You cannot modify, alter, make improvements, or install software or hardware without prior consent of GSD. This may include, but is not limited to: Web Cams, printers, storage devices, or any miscellaneous device.
12. You must follow existing copyright laws.

