

Digital Character Contract

❖ Trustworthiness

- I will always use the internet and social media in a respectful and responsible manner no matter where or when I am using it.
- I will only use applications and websites that I am permitted to use by my teacher and/or parent.
- I will talk to an adult when I need help or I know others need help.
- If something I read or view is inappropriate, I will report it to an adult immediately.

❖ Respect

- I will only post comments that are **True, Helpful, Inspiring, Necessary** or **Kind**. (THINK)
- I will only post pictures of others with their permission.
- I will delete pictures, comments, or posts that make people feel uncomfortable.

❖ Responsibility

- I will ask an adult for help when I feel uncomfortable with something I read or view online.
- I will tell someone when I see others being bullied online.
- I will use social media to connect with people in a positive manner.

❖ Justice and Fairness

- I will use the internet and social media at times agreed upon by my teachers, parents, and/or guardians.
- I understand that if I am engaging in irresponsible or disrespectful activities, my screen time can be diminished or revoked.
- I understand that anything I post becomes part of my digital footprint even if I go back and delete it later.

❖ Caring

- When I comment or respond to someone online or on social media, I will use kind words, give help, and/or express compassion.
- When I notice someone is being put down, I will report it to an adult and try to lift that person up with kind gestures or comments.

❖ Civic Virtue and Citizenship

- I will obey the rules of this contract, school rules, and all laws.
- I will not give out personal information (mine or others) to strangers or ask for personal information from strangers. (telephone number, address, passwords, or plan to meet up)
- I will not allow anyone to use my internet identity (screen name, email, login, passwords, accounts) for any reason.
- I will tell an adult if I receive any harmful or uncomfortable forms of communication.
- I will tell an adult if someone I know may need help or is not showing good character online.
- I will do my part to be a positive force online.

I _____, understand and agree to follow the rules and guidelines
(*student signature*)

explained above.

I _____, will help my student in being a digital citizen of good character
(*parent signature*)

and review home expectations for internet and social media use.

Date: _____