



aHUP

Acceptable Home Use Plan

The iPad is a powerful tool for learning, and we are excited about the possibilities for our students. While they are on campus, we have the AUP (Acceptable Use Policy) to help guide and protect our students.

We know you want the same at home; to that end, we recommend creating a family aHUP (Acceptable Home Use Plan) with your child. To help in this, we are offering a framework of an aHUP from which you can begin a discussion and customize your own plan.

Our School Policy and Digital Citizenship:

Northshore Christian Academy expects its students to use technology in a way that is pleasing to God, both on and off campus: Ephesians 5:10-20, Romans 12:2, Romans 8:5, Ephesians 4:29.

To help establish aHUP in your household, you will need to make some decisions on Internet, monitoring, and iPad settings restrictions.

Internet filtering is highly recommended by the school to help protect your children at home. If you already have content filtering at home, make sure it covers your wireless devices. If you have more than one device that is unfiltered at home, OpenDNS is a free way to help protect the whole family.

We have created a guide to help you establish communication with your student about technology use as well as to give you the tools to manage these devices.

DECIDE TOGETHER ON:

- Times and places for iPad usage.
- General principles for online integrity. If you would like a verse for this, you can reference Romans 12:2 - *“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”*
- How to be safe, responsible, and accountable. If you would like a verse for this, you can reference Luke 12:48 - *“From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.”*
- Specific expectations for social use. If you would like a verse for this, you can reference Ephesians 4:29 - *“Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.”*
- How to respond to harmful content/messages.
- How to give proper attribution and respect.

Hours:



When may I use it? - When should I not?

For 5th grade, NCA recommends a public place in the house and only when parents are home and awake.

Places:



Where should I store it overnight?

Where else can I take it besides school?

Where may I use it? – Where should I not?

For 5th grade, NCA recommends not in a student’s room and where the use can be supervised.

People:



Who can/should know my passwords?

What social media may I have at home?

When may a parent or guardian look at my iPad?

If I see bullying or other harmful/inappropriate/uncomfortable communication or images, what will I do?

For 5th grade, NCA recommends only parents and the school have the password. NCA recommends only school related social media. Social media like Facebook and Instagram are not allowed for students under the age of 13. Inappropriate content should be reported to the parent or teacher depending on if it is at home or school that it is observed.

Misc.



How do I purchase apps? Does anything change if they’re free? e.

What are some fair consequences if I break this aHUP?

What other things might we do to keep me using the iPad in responsible ways (and to avoid negative uses)?

For 5th grade, NCA recommends using a gift card form iTunes for purchases. NCA recommends losing screen privileges for violations. NCA recommends Common Sense Media as a resource for further discussions and recommendations that can be tailored to your family.

Parent/Guardian Signature

My Signature