



Flora Macdonald Academy

TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT

Grades 5 – 12 Only

Technology is a requirement for many classes at Flora Macdonald Academy. We offer laptops to enable our students to use technology in their daily school routine. Laptop rental is included in tuition, however, damages are not.

FMA will assume the cost for the first repair resulting from **general usage**. All subsequent repair/replacement costs are the responsibility of the student to whom the laptop is assigned. Any damage believed to be caused intentionally or by negligence will be considered vandalism and will be charged accordingly. Damage includes but is not limited to:

- Damage from liquid, excessive heat, or other preventable environmental threats.
- Preventable damage from carelessness or abuse including viruses, etc. from unauthorized use.
- Theft of loss resulting from inadequate security precautions – i.e. leaving laptop left unattended at school or left visible in a parked car.

Laptop Usage:

1. Students in Grades 7 – 12 are allowed to take their laptops and chargers home. It is their responsibility to return them to school each day fully charged and ready for use.
Chromebooks may not be charged at school.
2. All usage of the laptop must be school related - whether at school or when using it at home.
3. The school's internet connection is filtered, however, no filter is perfect and it is acknowledged that some objectionable material may still be accessible.
4. Altering the laptop's settings or configuration is strictly prohibited and will result in a repair charge.
5. Students may not negligently or intentionally transmit computer viruses, self-replicating messages, or deliberately try to degrade or disrupt system performance. Students must scan all downloads for viruses.
6. Students may not create or introduce games, network communications programs, or any foreign program or software onto any school computer or other electronic device without the express consent of the Administration.
7. Students are prohibited from engaging in unauthorized or unlawful activities, such as hacking or using the computer network to gain unauthorized or unlawful access to other computers, computer systems, or accounts.
8. Only the student to whom the laptop is assigned is allowed to use it. Programming issues arising from multiple users per laptop are considered damage, as are other issues resulting from inappropriate usage.

