

Project Empowerment Administrative Expectations

The use of mobile technology is a new and exciting addition to teaching and learning. When used appropriately these devices can greatly enhance a teacher's ability to present content, and broaden a student's opportunity to learn. When used inappropriately the opposite is true. The inappropriate use of mobile technology presents a significant distraction to the learning process.

In order to take advantage of this opportunity, RSU57 is requiring a family commitment. The family commitment consists of an annual non-refundable \$25 fee and a signed family commitment agreement. Parents/guardians and students are also required to sign the administrative expectations document in recognition of the procedures associated with this program.

These Administrative Expectations have been developed to inform teachers, students, and their parents/guardians about the appropriate use of mobile technology at Massabesic High School. These expectations should be applied in conjunction with the Massabesic Student Handbook and School Board Policy IJNDB which can be found on the district website at www.rsu57.org.

It is expected that students will take personal responsibility for their MHS iPads and apply common sense in the use of the MHS iPads. In the event this basic guideline breaks down, the following expectations have been put in place to define possible infractions and their consequences. This is not an all-inclusive list. If required, other school expectations and consequences may be applied.

- Possession and use of the iPad is a privilege not a right. RSU57 is the owner of the iPad. As such, disciplinary action may include the loss of access to the iPad for a period of time as determined by school administration. Serious infractions may result in the confiscation of the iPad and the loss of the \$25 family commitment fee.
- RSU57 School Board Policy, expectations outlined in the Massabesic High School Student Handbook, these expectations, and State and Federal laws govern student use of the MHS iPad.
- It is everyone's responsibility that interruptions to instruction and learning do not occur. If the use of the iPad causes an educational distraction, individually or classroom, disciplinary action will be taken.
- Audits of the device will be performed. During an audit, students will be required to produce the iPad and demonstrate that it is in working order.
- Inappropriate use of the MHS iPad's audio and video tools, including inappropriate sharing of audio and video over the Internet, email, local area network, on the iPad, or in any other fashion, will be subject to disciplinary action.
- RSU57 takes the prevention of harassment and bullying seriously. The iPad is not to be used as a tool for bullying or harassment. Violations of School Board Policy through

use of a MHS iPad will result in consequences that may include suspension and/or an appearance at a School Board Hearing at which further disciplinary action may be taken.

- “Sexting” is illegal. Any occurrence of “Sexting” will result in disciplinary action and the involvement of law enforcement.
- “Jail Breaking” the iPad will void the Apple Warranty and is not allowed.
- The use of social media applications is allowed when used appropriately. Students must take all precautions necessary to keep themselves safe using social media. Students should never share personal information over the Internet. If it is determined that a student is not using social media in a safe and appropriate manner, disciplinary action will be taken which will likely include loss of access to the MHS iPad.
- In addition to using the iPad for educational purposes, both at school and home, students may also use the iPad outside of school for personal entertainment, provided these activities do not violate School Board Policy. Possible activities may included: accessing social media, gaming, accessing apps from the app store, listening to music, and email.

I have read and understand the expectations for having a MHS iPad issued to me by RSU57.

I agree to follow all expectations and will operate the MHS iPad in an appropriate and responsible manner supporting my education at MHS.

Student Name (Printed)

Student Signature

Date

I understand the expectations of the iPad program and have reviewed the expectations regarding MHS iPad use with my son or daughter.

Guardian Name (Printed)

Guardian Signature

Date