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USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES (PEDs) AT SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, “we believe that each one, created in the image and likeness of God, is called by name into the Dufferin-Peel Community to realize the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations to the fullest extent possible as we all journey from the early years to vocation.” As we monitor and refine our support, programming continues to ensure that each child is well on their way to achieving the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations within the context of learning in the 21st century.

Iona Catholic School recognizes the value of using Personal Electronic Devices (PEDs) to enhance learning and curriculum delivery. As such, we support the responsible and ethical use of PEDs in keeping with the Catholic Code of Conduct and the DPCDSB’s Policies and General Administrative Procedures.

Through the authority of the principal or designate and under the direction of staff, students are permitted to use the school board’s wireless network and their registered PEDs for educational purposes. Policy and guidelines will include, but are not limited to the following:

- PEDs may be used only with permission from a staff member
- **Students need to be diligent about safely storing their PEDs. Iona Catholic School is not responsible for lost, stolen and/or damaged PEDs**
- Students are to keep their personal information private (e.g., age, address, phone numbers, usernames, passwords)
- Students are to use good judgment in accessing material on the internet, and report concerns
- The Catholic Code of Conduct and academic integrity apply to the use of technology when students are accessing information
- Any communication with your child (i.e., personal phone call, text messages, etc.) will continue to be directed through the main office
- The board will not be responsible for any cost incurred through the use of personal data plans
- It is the student’s, and/or parent/guardian’s, responsibility to address normal and reasonable security measures such as maintaining anti-virus protection and security patches for software for the protection of those sharing the wireless network
- Students should not expect privacy with respect to any of their activities when using the board’s wireless network and agree to and accept that access and/or wireless network activity may be monitored in order to identify usage patterns, security issues, etc.
- Photos, videos or images of an individual/group are not permitted to be taken without expressed consent. Expressed consent must be obtained from the individual(s) - over the age of 18—or parental consent (for those under the age of 18).
- No school and/or board data can be stored on a PED
- Inappropriate use of board technology and/or PEDs may result in confiscation of the PED, discipline, suspension or termination of these services, or police involvement

Please refer to the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and Iona Catholic School websites for further information. If you have any further questions, please contact Iona’s administration team.

Sincerely,
Olivia Faraone
Principal
Iona Catholic Secondary School

PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICE USED WITH WI-FI NETWORK STUDENT AGREEMENT

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board policies and procedures support the use of personal electronic devices (PEDs) for educational purposes. This agreement will be signed when your child registers to attend a school within Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.

In compliance with the Catholic Code of Conduct and other board policies and procedures including, but not limited to the *Student Network User Application and Agreement*, any student opting to use a PED while on school premises for educational purposes is required to adhere to the following:

Part A.

1. We understand that if I bring my PED to school I must follow board and school policies and procedures regarding appropriate use of technology.
2. We will be a responsible digital citizen by adhering to guidelines regarding content, security, safety and ethical use through appropriate use of technology, as outlined in the Catholic Code of Conduct and other board policies and procedures.
3. We will accurately represent myself while online and that my online interactions are reflective of our Gospel values and virtues.
4. We understand that PEDs may be used during instructional time and in instructional space only with the expressed permission of the classroom teacher and/or staff and only in a manner that supports the teaching-learning process.
5. We understand that I may use my PED in common areas for educational purposes, as designated by the principal.
6. We will not share my password with others and I will respect the privacy of other people. I will not share other people's passwords or personal information.
7. We understand that upon reasonable grounds, staff reserve the right to review material viewed, created or saved on my authorized registered PED and/or other personal electronic devices.
8. We understand that no school and/or board data is allowed to be stored on PEDs.
9. We will not use my PED in a manner that will harm the board's system or another person's work.
10. We understand that if I bring my PED for use on board premises I am responsible for the safety and security of that device at all times and the board assumes no responsibility for lost, damaged or stolen devices.
11. We understand that we should not have the expectation to be able to charge our device at school.
12. We understand that photos, videos or images of an individual/group are not permitted to be taken without expressed consent. Expressed consent must be obtained from the individual(s) - over the age of 18—or parental/guardian consent (for those under the age of 18).
13. We understand the school administration will be the arbiter of what constitutes a violation of this agreement. Any failure to comply with these guidelines may result in confiscation of my PED, discipline, a loss of PED privileges, police involvement and/or any other consequences deemed necessary by school administration.
14. We agree, by virtue of access to the board's computing and electronic communication systems, to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the board for any suits, claims, losses, expenses or damages, including but not limited to litigation costs and legal fees, arising from or related to the user's access to or use of board electronic communication and computing systems, services and facilities.

Part B.

1. We understand that I am responsible to take the necessary steps to ensure my authorized PED is connected to the board wireless network, and that the board will not be responsible for any cost incurred through the use of personal data plans.

School: _____

Name of Student (Please print): _____

I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICE USED WITH WI-FI NETWORK STUDENT AGREEMENT.

Signature of Student: _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

CC: Copy to the student and/or parent/guardian