

## ACS Parental Consent for Online Access

Increasingly, companies are no longer selling computer software on CD's or even as downloadable programs. Instead, these programs reside in the cloud where they can be continuously updated and improved. As a school, we are making increased use of online applications in order to provide the best instruction possible, and to prepare our students for 21st century technology. We carefully review each program to ensure that it is safe, educationally sound, and a reasonable cost.

***We want to ensure that you are informed as a parent about what we will be using, and give consent for your child to access these programs.*** As a staff, we have discussed which applications we believe are both important and appropriate for our students on a grade-by-grade basis, so ***not every student will be able to access every application or every feature of an application.*** For example, the G-Suite and Microsoft programs require an email address for login purposes, but we don't activate email use for elementary students. You Tube is part of the G-Suite, but we don't activate it for elementary students, and we limit access for secondary students.

Here are the key applications that we use and the grades where we employ them. This form is posted on our website also at Parents/Connections, and the hyperlinks will take you to each company's privacy policies if you would like to understand them further:

**Google G-Suite:** This is a suite of programs from Google including Docs, Sheets, Presentation, You Tube, Email, and many other online applications. Some programs are available to all students; some are available to middle school students, and others only to high school students.

**Khan Academy:** This is an online education company that seeks to provide free K-12 education for everyone in the world. Their math program is the most developed, and individual tutoring plans can be developed by inputting scores from our MAP testing. All grades may access.

**Measure of Academic Progress (MAP Tests):** We use this test for students K-9. It provides outside accountability for us and assists in tailoring instruction to the needs of students.

**Microsoft Office 365:** We have a license that gives every teacher, student, and parent access to the Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) online. All grades may access.

**I give permission for ACS to create online accounts for my child(ren) and email addresses to access the above noted companies and their software.**

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Full name of student(s)

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Printed name of parent/guardian

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Signature of parent/guardian

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Date