

Digital Citizenship

The staff at LTCHS recognize that there are many uses for digital technology within the classroom environment. These uses include, but are not limited to, web browsing, blogging, wikis, all of which can be accessed by traditional desktop/laptop computers, iPads, Chromebooks and/or many other portable electronic devices. We recognize that these technologies may provide many exciting learning opportunities for staff and students but also recognize that issues may arise from their misuse. To ensure students benefit from digital technologies and practice good digital citizenship, we ask that all students abide by the following guidelines which focus on safe, responsible and ethical use of digital technologies:

- Students/Digital Citizens are expected to keep LTCHS a safe and caring environment; this encompasses all digital realms. As such, this includes keeping personal information private, maintaining civility in digital communications, fostering positive relationships and protecting themselves and their classmates from harm such as bullying and intimidation.
- Students/Digital Citizens are expected to understand that any information posted online is permanent and their digital footprint is everlasting. Posts, online comments, uploads, etc. should be done in a manner that demonstrates responsible use of digital communications and will not have any negative impact on themselves or others. Students also need to understand that the use of digital technologies at school are for academic purposes as outlined by the course and teacher.
- Students/Digital Citizens are expected to be honest, honorable and decent when using digital communications and or resources. Students will use and verify the credibility of sources, credit the work of others, respect different points of view and demonstrate behaviour that is academically ethical.

Lindsay Thurber is a safe and dynamic learning environment and the use of digital technologies and communications is a fundamental extension of that learning environment. In accordance, any issues that arise from the use of digital technologies will be investigated by school administration as with any other matter in point regarding safety, responsibility or ethical misuse.