

Middle School Technology Update

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iPads Pilot



iPads in Grades 5 and 6 stay at school to start the year

- ✓ Students will leave their iPads in period 6
- ✓ Students will pick up their iPads in period 1.
- ✓ Feedback will be gathered through September and October.

The goal is balance: use technology when it strengthens instruction — and put it away when it doesn't.

New Lessons in Writing

4 new lessons in grade 5 writing to support the transition to middle school and the use of the iPad for learning

- ✓✓ **Device Ownership and Care**
- ✓ **Account Safety and Boundaries**
- ✓✓ **School Email and Digital Citizenship**
- ✓ **District Policy and Consequences**

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Acceptable Use Policy

Reviewed with all students and families in grades 5 - 12.

- ✓ Student created video
- ✓ Students watch as a class and sign google form
- ✓ Parent/Guardian sent a form through Parent Square to complete by Sept 25



Health and Wellness Course

Students in grades 5 and 6 participate in a semester long, every other day Health and Wellness Course

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Digital Citizenship Unit Topics

Digital Footprint and Privacy
Online Relationships & Personal Boundaries
Healthy Media Habits & Design Awareness
Media Literacy & Ethical Creation
Navigating Cyberbullying & Rebuilding Trust

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Digital Citizenship Unit Topics

Digital Footprint & Privacy
Information Literacy & AI Ethics
Navigating Online Interactions
Conflict Resolution & Community Responsibility
Digital Well-Being & Mindful Tech Habits

Jamf Parent

When a school-issued iPad is at home, families can add limits outside the school day.

01

LIMIT

Set basic limits for apps or device functions outside of the school day.

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FILTER

Add web-browsing limits beyond district filtering.

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SCHEDULE

Limit when—or how long—an app can be used outside of school day.

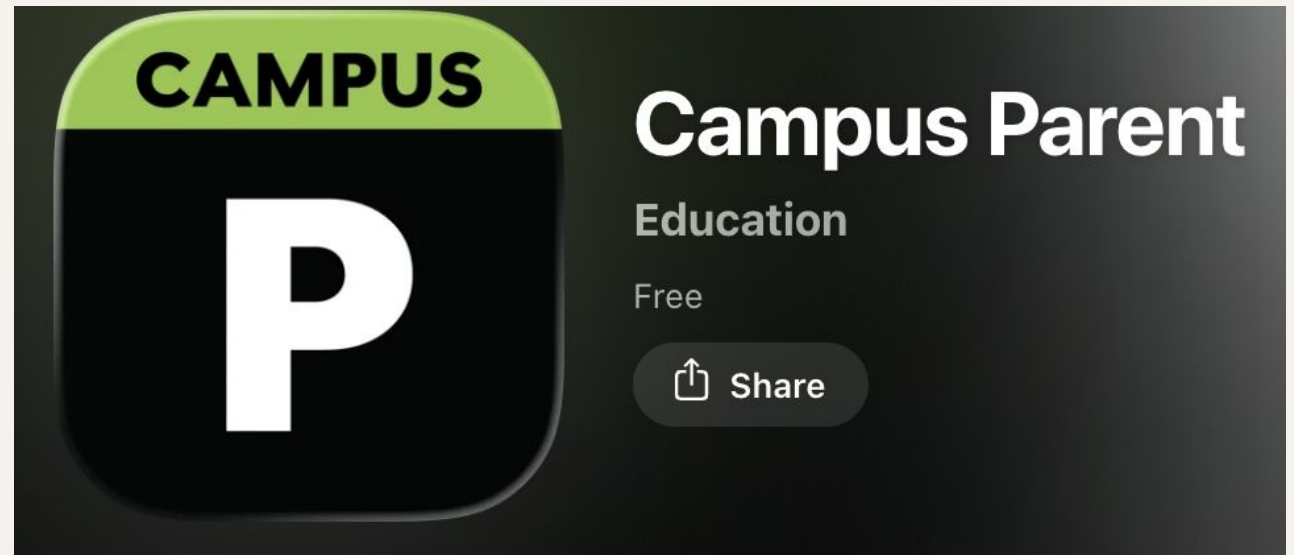
For a step by step guide check out the Family Hub:

<https://www.isd197.org/academics/technology>

Campus Parent Portal

Stay up to date with student grades, assignments and assessment scores.

Visit the district Website for specifics
<https://www.isd197.org/parent-family-hub/tech-resources>



What's Next

- Gathering feedback
- Monitor the iPad pilot
- Classroom visits
- Student focus groups
- Implementation and communication of artificial intelligence (AI) Guardrails
- Continued and deepened analysis of classroom technology use