Portola High School
Responsible Use Policy

Portola High School and IUSD supports access by students to technological resources. The District's technological resources include the computer network, school-owned devices and Internet access. Technological resources are provided for students to collaborate, produce work, conduct research, and communicate with others. In return, every IUSD user is expected to use these resources primarily for educational related purposes. All users will act in a responsible, ethical, and legal manner and conform to common etiquette that includes being polite, using appropriate language, and respecting privacy.

The Irvine Unified School District's computer network provides access to the Internet. In order to comply with the Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA), Irvine Unified School District employs a web filter. This web filter blocks pornography, obscene images, and visual depictions that are harmful to minors. Students who intentionally bypass the filter to access sites or apps that may contain inappropriate content may have their technology privileges restricted.

The use of software and online accounts provided by IUSD will be in support of and consistent with the educational goals of Irvine Unified School District, as well as technology protection measures outlined by CIPA. Students will respect the originality and collaborative work of their teachers and peers by not deleting, copying or sharing the work of others unless they have their permission.

If a student posts or discusses school-related content they should not reveal personal information or the information of others. Students will use a respectful tone of voice and will respect others' opinions and viewpoints. Students may not take, possess, or share photographs, videos, or audio recordings of any individuals without permission from teachers and other students. Students may only photograph, video, or record instructional material with the teacher's permission.

If a student is participating in the PHS 1:1 Chromebook program, students will be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of their device. This includes coming to school with their device fully charged, ensuring that their device is well taken care of (storage, protection, keeping them away from food and drinks), and reporting any damage or loss.

Violations of the Technological Resources Responsible Use Policy will result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion, and/or legal action, and may result in a loss of access to the system or various elements of the system.

School computers and technological resources are for use by authorized individuals only. Any unauthorized access is prohibited and is subject to criminal and civil penalties under Federal Laws.

Reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that the district's technological resources and Internet access are used for intended purposes, and users may be monitored. Anyone using the school's technological resources expressly consents to monitoring and adherence to school rules and/or codes of conduct.