

Initial Date: February 14, 2011

Power School Parent Acceptable Use Agreement

Power School will provide you access to your child's grades, attendance, and homework. Please read these guidelines carefully and fill out the "Power School Parent Portal Custody/Identification Form."

Please read the following Acceptable Use Guidelines for Power School:

- ✚ Username and passwords are to be kept confidential.
 1. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to protect the security of the login and password. Georgetown County School District accepts the responsibility **only** in the event the username and password is shared, given, stolen, or in any other way, becomes the possession of a person other than the parent/guardian as a direct result of actions by Georgetown County School District Personnel.
 2. If a usernames/password is stolen or lost, the parent/guardian can contact the school to have the password changed. The parent/guardian will need to complete the "Username/Password Request" Form which can be obtained from their child's school.
 3. If you forget your usernames and/or password, you will be required to fill out a written request for the school. The parent/guardian will need to complete the "Username/Password Request" Form from your child's school.
- ✚ Only **one** username and password will be issued per student. It is the responsibility of the parent to determine which parent(s) or guardian(s) will be able to access records.
- ✚ The school district does not provide technical support for your home/work computer system. Users must realize that email and other communications via the internet are not guaranteed to be private. Please note that Power School records are not official records and may not be correct at all times. However, the District will maintain Power School records in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, District Policy JO: Student Records, and District Administrative Rule JO-R: Student Records.
- ✚ We will monitor Parent Access to Power School. The Parent Access Log lists date of login, time accessed, and the duration of login (in minutes).
- ✚ You should follow the procedures with questions concerning your child's grades or attendance.
 1. Talk to your child to ask them about their grades or attendance.
 2. Check the teacher's grading policy. The information on Power School is subject to change. The information posted is not the official Progress Report, Report Card or Student Transcript.
 3. Please email teachers with your questions concerning grades, but please do not send excessive emails. Remember your child's teacher has many other students that they teach.
 4. The parent or guardian may request a meeting with the teacher but should request the meeting using your child's school procedures for setting up the conference.

5. You will be able to check grades 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Teachers should post their grades by Tuesday afternoon at the close of the school day for the previous week's assignments. Some assignments, such as, written reports may take much longer to grade.
 6. Attendance is taken once a day in the elementary and middle schools, and each period at high school. Attendance is updated as soon as the teacher enters it. If you have a question concerning attendance, please contact the Attendance Office at your child's school.
- ✚ Georgetown County School District is not liable for any damages to my personal equipment when connected to the Power School System. Please remember that Georgetown County School District is providing this access as a privilege, and if it is abused, the account will be suspended and or/terminated. Parents may not use Power School for any illegal activity, including violation of FERPA or other Data Privacy laws. Anyone found violating laws will be subject to civil and/or criminal prosecution.
 - ✚ I, release Georgetown County School District and its officers, employees, and agents from any claims and damages from my use or inability to use the system.
 - ✚ As a parent/guardian I have read and signed this policy and understand that access is designated for the educational support of my child's education.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____