



Dear Families,

Mountain Song Community School is committed to preserving your ability as a parent guardian to keep our student(s) safe online while they are engaged in remote learning. To ensure that safety and privacy are the paramount priority of the vendors who provide educational services to our students online, we have taken time to review and carefully select which technologies students are required to use. We are able to define a number of settings that control the behavior of our students' Mountain Song accounts so that they can be used to access these services with as little difficulty as possible. We limit which apps students can install to school owned Chromebooks and provide them the tools they need to participate in online learning activities. However, we can not control which websites they can access from school owned devices or personal devices while they are at home.

Students are expected to use technology provided by Mountain Song Community School for instructional purposes only. Students and their families are expected to abide by the terms of the Student Responsible Use of Technology, Access and Digital Communication Expectations. While students are engaged in remote learning activities, it is important that they have adult supervision at all times. We invite you to have a conversation with your student(s) to remind them of these expectations and to ensure that they know that the consequences for visiting unauthorized sites are serious and potentially long-lasting. Reminding your children of these boundaries is an opportunity for you and your household to revisit the expectations that you have in regards to how your family uses the internet.

On the Tech Help page of the Mountain Song School website, we have provided a number of resources that can potentially inform your choices and help you manage your student(s)' use of internet connected devices at home. You can easily access them by visiting [www.mountainsongschool.com/tech-help](http://www.mountainsongschool.com/tech-help). These resources include web safety tips, instructions on setting up a family web filter, and information about parental control software for Microsoft, Apple, and Google products under your control.

Thank you for our continued partnership as we work to serve our children and learning community in these challenging times. Please contact Dan Kurschner via [dkurschner@mountainsongschool.com](mailto:dkurschner@mountainsongschool.com) with questions regarding the Student Responsible Use of Technology, Access and Digital Communication Expectations or other questions regarding school service providers.

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