

A Letter on Technology in Mrs. Justus's Room

Technology serves a major function in this classroom to collaborate and connect with students across the globe. Safety and proper usage of the chosen technology is therefore vital for this classroom to be successful in its implementation. Please note that Salem's Policy for Technology is upheld and discussed throughout the year as well.

- ° **Video Cameras:** Students use cameras throughout the year to capture their learning and for presentations. These images/videos are often used for publication on our website. I also use the cameras to capture specific student work to be published on our classroom blog (pjustus.weebly.com).
- ° **Seesaw:** Student driven digital portfolios and class blog
- ° **Animoto:** Students and I use this website to create multimedia slideshows with a soundtrack. Access is granted through one single classroom account completely facilitated by me.

These tools are the ones most frequently used in our classroom. Others will be introduced throughout the year with proper guidance. Sites that can be used by students under 13 with parent permission, will have one classroom account monitored by me.

In order for me to have utmost transparency with the use of student work as well as their image, please sign and return the consent form to me by **Wednesday, August 24**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Throughout the school year, I may include photographs, videos, or work of individual students or student group activities on our classroom website. Any student and/or their school work will be identified by first name only. No last names will be mentioned.

In an effort to respect parent and guardian wishes regarding the use of your child's image or work, as well as use of technology, I ask that you read the consent form below, indicate your preference, and sign and return this document.

Please mark any of the choices below and return to school:

Yes, I give permission for my child to use any of the technology sites or tools listed above with proper supervision.

Yes, I give permission to photograph, videotape, or audio record my child. I also give permission to display my child's school work including class pictures for educational purposes.

Please do not publish my child's photograph on the classroom website or any other Internet page.

Please only publish my child's photograph in group photos, no individual shots.

I do not give permission for my child's photograph, image, or school work to be used for ANY website publication or presentation.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date