

## Freedom Preparatory Academy Access to Technology Plan

Our Plan: To provide all FPA students safe access to school owned computer technology both in the classroom and at home whenever virtual learning is required, in order to enrich learning and promote digital literacy.

- 1. Freedom Preparatory Academy (FPA) is a 1-1 school. We will provide Chromebooks to our k-8 grades and iPads to our 9-12 grades. Students can check out their school owned devices for home use during the school year whenever necessary.
- 2. K-12 students who attend school via distance learning may choose to use their own personal devices for online learning at home, but may also check out a school device as needed. Parents/legal guardians and students should note that school owned devices are tracked and can be shut down, updated and maintained remotely. However, FPA does not collect personal information and uses this data only to verify appropriate use, and for maintaining and repairing devices.
- 3. Whether a school owned device is used at school or checked out to students for home use, FPA devices are to be used strictly for school purposes. All software settings, default configurations, and administrative privileges are to be maintained at the original settings unless a change is authorized by FPA's IT Department. Student account user names and passwords should be kept secure and only given to parents, legal guardians or IT personnel as needed.
- 4. Repairs on school owned equipment are only to be performed by FPA's IT department. When home devices are used, parents/legal guardians are responsible for the maintenance of their own devices. FPA has no responsibility for maintaining equipment or software not owned by the school.
- 5. If parents/legal guardians choose to use their own computer devices and equipment at home for school work, please note the following minimum requirements:
  - Students will need a Chromebook, iPad, Windows PC or a Mac. Generally speaking, mobile devices and tablets will not be sufficient for student school work.
  - Students will need a broadband internet connection.
  - Students will need a webcam, speakers, and a microphone.
  - Students will need a Chrome browser
  - All responsibility for maintaining a safe internet environment will be on the parent/legal guardian when personal devices are used.