

August 20, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Over the past few months, we have been auditing the websites and applications that we ask students to use in our classes, to be in accordance with [HB 16-1423](#). Additional information related to this can be found on the school website under [Student Data Privacy](#). We want to inform you that your child will be using the following apps or websites as part of our school wide instructional model.

School Wide Apps and Websites:

The apps/websites listed in this section do not require parent permission and will be used at the discretion of teachers.

Website or APP	Rationale for use of this tool	Privacy Policy	Data that is shared with the vendor
Ableton Music Software	Music	Privacy Policy	
Arduino	Engineering	Privacy Policy	Terms
Bridge Designer	Engineering	N/A	No information collected but needs to be downloaded for use
Canvas	Communication tool for staff, students, and parents	Privacy Policy	Terms
Codingbat.com	Coding learning module	N/A	Terms
Flocabulary	Building background knowledge and assessment	Privacy Policy	Terms
Fusion 360, Autodesk	Engineering	Privacy Policy	Terms
Geogebra	Used for graphing, construction and manipulation of geometric shapes	Privacy Policy	Terms
Google Suite	Communication tools for staff, student use, and parents	Privacy Policy	Terms
Hobsons (Naviance)	College and Career Planning	Privacy Policy	Terms
iCivics.com	Civics lessons, games, and content.	Privacy Policy	Terms

Infinite Campus	Communication tool for staff, students, and parents	Terms	
iReady (Diagnostic)	Assessment of student achievement and growth	Privacy Policy	Terms
iReady (Intervention)	Reading intervention for READ Act compliance	Privacy Policy	Terms
Kahoot	Collaboration/ Content Review	Privacy Policy	Terms
Nearpod	Interactive videos, lessons, and assessments	Privacy Policy	Terms
Nitro Type	Typing practice	Privacy Policy	Terms
Notepad++	Coding Text editor	General Public License	General Public License
NWEA (MAPs)	Assessment of student achievement and growth	Privacy Policy	Terms
pbs.org	Cyber Security learning labs	Privacy Policy	Terms
Scratch	Drag and drop coding	Privacy Policy	Terms
Testout	Courses & Certification	Privacy Policy	Terms
Quizlet	Flashcard practice for vocabulary	Privacy Policy	Terms
YouTube (HS only)	Scientific and Industry content review Parents are subject to the terms of this Agreement and responsible for your child's activity on the Service. ES and MS students do not have access	Privacy Policy	Terms
Zoom	Synchronous learning platform	Privacy Policy	Terms

These tools have been evaluated according to school guidelines and approved by the school administration because of the learning opportunities that will be provided throughout this year's courses.

Middle School Specific Apps and Websites:

The apps/websites listed in this section are used throughout various middle school courses and require parent permission for its use and/or account creation for students 12 years of age and under. If new items are added to this list, individual teachers will notify you via email or a class announcement prior to implementing them into their instruction.

Website or APP	Rationale for use of this tool	Privacy Policy	Data that is shared with the vendor
atom.io	Coding Text editor	Privacy Policy	Terms
ck12.org	Online resources for K-12 math and science subjects	Privacy Policy	Terms
Code.org	Computer Science learning modules	Privacy Policy	Terms
CommonLit.org	Reading program with adaptable reading levels	Privacy Policy	Terms
Conjuguemos	Practice with vocabulary (spelling), grammar and verb conjugating	Privacy Policy	Terms
Desmos	Graphing calculator for math exploration	Privacy Policy	Terms
Edpuzzle	Curriculum Support	Privacy Policy	Terms
Flipgrid	Video	Privacy Policy	Terms
Gimkit	Quizzes, Review	Privacy Policy	Terms
GIMP	Image manipulation	Privacy Policy**	Terms
iXL	K-12 math skills practice	Privacy Policy	Terms
Khan Academy	K-12 math skills practice and self-guided learning resources. K-12 social studies content.	Privacy Policy	Terms
Manga High	K-12 math skills practice and self-guided learning resource	Privacy Policy	Terms
Newsela	Literacy, Research	Privacy Policy	Terms

NoodleTools.org	Online tool to cite sources consulted during research.	Privacy Policy	Terms
NoRedInk	Grammar practice	Privacy Policy	Terms
Padlet	Collaborative website creator.	Privacy Policy	Terms
Pear Deck	Formative assessment tool and in class activities	Privacy Policy	Terms
Piktochart	Digital infographic creator.	Privacy Policy	Terms
Plickers	Quiz	Privacy Policy	Terms
Prodigy Game	Math based game platform	Privacy Policy **	Terms
Quizizz	Content review and practice	Privacy Policy	Terms
Readtheory.org	Reading comprehension tools and practice	Privacy Policy	Terms
Screencastify	Curriculum Support	Privacy Policy	Terms
Sibelius	Music Software	Privacy Policy	Terms
Storyboard That	Online story boarding	Privacy Policy	Terms
Tynker	Programming	Privacy Policy	Terms
Unity	Gaming Engine	Privacy Policy	Terms
Yo-Yo Games-GameMaker Studio 2	Game Design	Privacy Policy	Terms

***These programs are apps/websites that require parent permission for its use and/or account creation for all students.*

Your student is not required to use these tools, and alternative assignments can be provided; therefore, your student's grade is NOT dependent on this tool. By not returning this form you are agreeing to the use of these tools and/or account creation.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Dr. Karen Johnson, Director of Curriculum & Accountability, for more information. Karen.Johnson@stemk12.org



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If you would like to **opt your child out** of the Middle School Specific tools, please sign and return the form to their **English Language Arts teacher by Friday 9/30/2020**.

_____ I would like to **opt my child out** of the following websites and apps:

Student Name

Parent Signature