

# WEEKLY IPAD CHECKLIST

- Make sure you know all passcode and passwords that are on your child's iPad, if they get changed, please notify their teacher (some teachers may request that students don't have a screen lock passcode at all).
- Review Internet use in all Browsers that your child has access to. Popular browsers include: Safari, K9, MobiCip, Covenant Eyes. In Safari you can check the History by clicking on the book icon next to the address bar. Other apps may use a different icon where you can find the history. **BONUS:** this gives you a great peek into what your kids are researching/exploring, what games they are interested in, and questions they may be typing into search engines. Ask your child if the filters are set appropriately, sometimes the filters do their job SO well that students can't get to the websites that they need to for learning. Adjust filters accordingly.
  - While you are in each browser: Go to <http://Google.com> and make sure that it is set to filter explicit results. ([google.com](http://google.com) > Click Settings in the bottom right corner of the screen > choose Search Settings > mark the button next to filter explicit results). On your computer, this is called "safe mode" or "strict search" It is good practice to make sure all devices that your children use are set in this mode. This greatly impacts search results even if you have other web filters in place!
- Now for the **FUN** part: Ask your child to show you what they've been working on at school. Ask about the apps they've used, the photos they've taken, the videos/websites/etc. they've created, and look through their ePortfolios (See Saw, Explain Everything, or Evernote).

# MONTHLY IPAD CHECKLIST

- Check for Updates (Settings > General > Software Update)
  - If there are updates, Download and Install (this is best done at home as the school network is often too busy to have everyone attempt this during the school day).
  - *After an update, always go in and check to make sure iPad Screen Time restrictions are still in place. Occasionally an update will require you to reapply restrictions!*
- In privacy settings: make sure that “Find my iPad” is turned on. (Settings > Privacy > System Services > Find My iPad. )
- Check to make sure all restrictions are turned ON and set up to your preferences. If you change your restriction code, please update Anastasis with the changes. (Settings> Screen Time > Content & Privacy Restrictions)
  - Recommendations:
    - Safari (turned off if you prefer that your child ONLY use a filtered browser like MobiCip, Covenant Eyes, K9)
    - In-App Purchases (turned off for young children)
    - Under Allowed Content: Turn off explicit music, podcast, iTunes U, adjust ratings for movies/TV Shows/Books/ Apps/Siri
    - Under Allowed Content Restrictions choose “Web Content” and select “Limit Adult Websites”
- If you prefer your child NOT have FaceTime, turn it off in Settings. (Settings > Screen Time > Content & Privacy Restrictions > Allowed Apps >FaceTime)
- Review your Family Media Agreement (See our example if you need help!)

# Family Media Agreement

Having a Family Media Agreement in place is a great way to start the conversation about the rules that you will agree to as a family. Below are some ideas about what you could include in your agreement.

1. How many hours per day can be spent using a computer/iPad/video games/TV?
2. Are social media sites allowed? Which ones? (hint: most social media sites specify that kids must be 13 years or older.) We recommend that you follow your children on all social media sites!
3. Where are mobile devices allowed to be used in your house? Where do they get kept overnight? (We recommend use in public family spaces only.)
4. Are there any websites/games/channels that are off-limits?
5. What information can be, or shouldn't be, shared online?
6. What should children do if they come across something that makes them feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused? (At school, we let kids know that they will NEVER be in trouble for this kind of sharing if: they don't share it with other students/siblings and they report what they saw to a parent or adult).
7. What happens if they break the rules?

Common Sense Media is a non-profit organization that provides balanced information and materials for families about supporting your children in the digital world. The following links may address common concerns in regards to the use of technology at home.

- [Family Tip Sheets](#)
- [Parent Concerns questions and answers](#)
- **Featured Topics**
  - [Setting Screen Rules that Stick](#)
  - [Internet Safety Tips for Kids](#)
  - [Cyberbullying](#)
  - [Privacy and Internet Safety](#)
  - [Facebook, Instagram, and Social Media](#)

#### **Internet Filters for your home:**

- [Covenant Eyes](#)
- [Bark](#)
- [Open DNS](#)
- [Net Nanny](#)

#### **Additional Resources:**

- [My Child Was Caught Viewing Porn! What do I do?](#)