



# AKRON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## *In Pursuit of Excellence*

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### Akron Central School District G SUITE by Google Cloud Consent

In 2014, the Akron Central School District was awarded the SMARTSCHOOLS Bond Act. In his 2014 State of the State Address, Governor Cuomo called for New York State to invest \$2 billion in its schools through a Smart Schools Bond Act – an initiative that would finance educational technology and infrastructure, providing students access to the latest technology and connectivity needed to succeed and compete in the global economy. Akron's allocation of these funds is \$1,255,318. This initiative will be extended to the 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. Each student will receive a Chromebook to be used in the classroom as well as at home for educational purposes. Many teachers will be using computer technology, Schoology and G SUITE for instruction, assignments, projects, research and assessment.

G SUITE by Google Cloud is a web-based tool for our students and staff. It may be accessed from any computer connected to the Internet. This education version provides a self-contained environment for students and staff to create and store school work, collaborate and share information, as well as publish some resources publicly. The education version is also ad-free and data is only used to improve G SUITE services. You can find the G SUITE Terms of Service here: [http://www.google.com/apps/intl/en/terms/education\\_terms.html](http://www.google.com/apps/intl/en/terms/education_terms.html).

The features and options used by students will be based on grade level and requirements for coursework. Student accounts may include Drive, Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drawings, Classroom, Gmail, Sites, Calendar, Blogger, YouTube, Maps, and Earth. Email, if available to your student, can only be sent to or received from others with district accounts. YouTube is blocked by the district Internet filter but accessible by teachers or from home. Teachers can also request that students have access to YouTube for directed projects.

**The district is required to obtain parental consent in order for your child to access G SUITE. Your child's account will remain active for the duration of his/her enrollment in the district. Please return this form with parent/guardian signature to verify your authorization for the use of this akronschools.org G SUITE account.**

#### **Student Responsibility**

Student use of G SUITE follows the expectations in the district's Technology Acceptable Use Agreement which can be reviewed at <http://www.akronschools.org/AUP>. Although G SUITE can be accessed outside of school, any use of the account on the akronk12.org domain is bound by the same rules and guidelines as use of any student account on the Akron Central Schools network. These accounts are intended for educational purposes whether or not the student is at school.

#### **School Responsibility**

G SUITE student accounts created by the school district will be managed at the district level. In school, teacher supervision and Internet filters are used to prevent access to inappropriate content and to ensure that student use of digital tools follows the Internet Acceptable Use Agreement. Digital citizenship instruction is included as part of introducing new web-based tools. Student accounts can be accessed by administrators at any time.

#### **Parent/Guardian Responsibility**

Parents assume responsibility for the supervision of Internet use outside of school. Parents are encouraged to discuss rules and expectations for using Internet-based tools, including G SUITE. Parents should report any evidence of cyberbullying or other inappropriate use to the school immediately.

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By signing below, I agree to allow my child to have an akronschools.org G SUITE account. I understand the account is for educational purposes only and that its use must meet the expectations outlined above.

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Student Name

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School

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Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date