

District: Covington Independent School District

School: Glenn O. Swing Elementary

Alignment with State Standards, Program Appraisal and Technology Utilization Policy

Mission Statement

It is the mission of Glenn O. Swing Elementary to provide students with opportunities that promote high levels of achievement and building a community that inspires students to give back and love learning.

Alignment with State Standards

The school shall organize all instructional and other activity to be aligned with standards established in state laws and regulations, and in a manner that is consistent with local school board policy. The school shall utilize technology in a manner consistent with local school board policy and state laws regulations.

Program Appraisal

The school shall appraise all programs in a manner that is consistent with local school board policy. Programs shall be appraised upon request of the school council by assigning the program appraisal to the appropriate committee for completion and recommendation to the council. This school council policy shall also be consistent with the applicable indicators from the Standards and Indicators for Schools Improvement.

Technology Utilization

CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES

In order to help prepare students for life in a digital world, the following are criteria and guidelines for technology use to which Glenn O. Swing Elementary will adhere:

- The role of technology in classroom instruction will focus on ways to do work better and more efficiently, on synthesizing information and content, and on doing higher level work in collaborative, real-world ways.
- Students will be taught to use technology as a vehicle for creating work and producing products.
- Students will be taught to use critical evaluation of Internet sites used for research and study including but not limited to: currency/date, authorship and authority, accuracy/validity, objectivity or bias, and presence or absence of a copyright.
- Students will be taught the ethical practices, appropriate etiquette, and online safety including but not limited to interacting with other individuals on social networking sites and in chat rooms and cyber bullying awareness and response.
- Teachers will be given technology professional development (PD) as indicated by annual needs assessments in order to work proficiently with students including teaching the skills and knowledge called for in this section.
- An Acceptable Use Policy/Form that is aligned to district technology policies and includes space for student and parent signatures will be developed and reviewed and up-dated if necessary each year.

ACCEPTABLE USE

Each year all students and parents will be required to sign and date an Acceptable Use Policy/Form in order to have access to school/district technology. This policy/form is attached and considered part of this Technology Utilization Policy adopted by the Glenn O. Swing School-Based Decision Making Council. *Most districts have a*

