



Student Learning Contract

At TDChristian, we care deeply about our students. We care about students' faith, mental health, character, integrity, learning, and the development of their own unique voice. Technology plays an important role in shaping each of these areas. As TDChristian alumnus and computer scientist, Dr. Derek Schuurman, writes, "We shape our tools, but our tools can also shape us." For this reason, TDChristian seeks to promote wise, healthy, and responsible use of technology.

The Academic Honesty Policy and the Electronic Devices Policy have been updated for the 2026-27 school year, and the Artificial Intelligence Policy has been added to the 2026-27 Family & Student Handbook.

All TDChristian students are required to read and sign the following contract by **September 30, 2026**. Time will be allotted during the school day in September for students to ask questions and review this contract.

I am familiar with the new TDChristian Artificial Intelligence Policy, the updated Academic Honesty Policy, and the updated Electronic Devices Policy, which are found in the TDChristian Family & Student Handbook. I agree to align my actions with these policies. Specifically:

Artificial Intelligence:

I understand that my teachers will use both their professional knowledge of their subject area along with the TDChristian Artificial Intelligence Policy to instruct me on helpful vs harmful applications of AI in their class.

Unless specified by the teacher, I will not use AI on any assessment, formative or summative. When in doubt about AI use, I will take the initiative to ask my teacher.

I will not use AI to generate any images or videos in the likeness of any TDChristian students, staff, or community members.

Academic Honesty:

I understand that academic dishonesty includes submitting **any writing** that was generated in part or in full by an AI or by another person *as if it were my own ideas and/or writing*.

- I understand that academic dishonesty includes using AI to edit, rephrase, or translate my writing for me without specific teacher permission AND proper citation.
- I understand that editing AI-generated work or work written by another person does not make it my own, and submitting it as such is plagiarism.

I understand that the usual consequence of plagiarism is earning 0% on the assignment, *even if there is only one plagiarized section in the assignment*. I understand that the consequences of plagiarism escalate with repeated offenses and may include the loss of course credits.

Electronic Devices:

I will not use technology in a manner that distracts me from learning and disrespects the people around me. During class time and assemblies:

- I will not have a phone out. I will keep my phone stored in my locker, backpack, or a designated place in the classroom. I understand that my phone could be taken away for a time if it is out during class time or assemblies.
- I will not use headphones, except when they are specifically required for learning and approved by the teacher. I understand that headphones could be taken away for a time if they are out during class time or assemblies.
- In each class, I will not start using my MacBook until invited to do so by the teacher.
- When I am using my MacBook for learning in class, I will remain on task. If I am misusing my MacBook, I understand that it could be taken away within that class for a time determined by the teacher of that class, and I will do my work with pencil and paper.

Smart glasses pose risks to student privacy, and I will not use them at any time at school nor at any school events including field trips and school sports.

Student Name: _____

Date: _____

Student Signature: _____