

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP—GRADE 8

2011/2012

Class Syllabus:

- This class is a 9-week course designed to have conversations with students on issues that have emerged with today’s technological world.
- Units that will be covered are:
 - **Safety and Security** – Students learn concrete skills to stay safe and secure online.
 - **Digital Citizenship** – Students reflect on how to behave ethically online. Topics covered:
 - Digital Life
 - Privacy and Digital Footprints
 - Self-Expression & Identity
 - Connected Culture
 - Respecting Creative Work
 - **Research & Information** – Students think critically about finding and evaluating information online. Topics covered:
 - Searching
 - Research and Evaluation
- The quarter will end with a Digital Literacy and Citizenship exhibit. Graded as a Project.
- Whenever time permits, students will learn proper keyboarding techniques using the MicroType program. Students will be graded using a Technique Rating Sheet. (see attached sheet)

Grading System for Digital Citizenship	
Projects	50%
Daily Work—including APE grade	25%
<i>APE grades will be averaged every week</i>	
Keyboarding Techniques	25%