

MOUNT HOLLY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
331 Levis Drive
Mount Holly, NJ 08060

Dear 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Parent/Guardian:

The Mount Holly School District continues to increase its integration of technology into classrooms. Our 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students will continue to use Chromebook laptops during the school day and at home. Studies have shown that technology integration has enhanced student learning and increased productivity in the classroom significantly. With this extensive initiative comes the need to protect our students and our technology.

As such, the district purchased and installed a low-cost software program that monitors, filters, and tracks the location of district issued Chromebooks. This program, called GoGuardian, records all Internet activity in the Chrome browser when a student logs into his/her Mount Holly Google account. The monitoring and recording happens regardless of the device and the student's location.

GoGuardian only monitors and collects Internet activity: it does not collect photos or videos of students, staff members, or any school activities.

Because of our tracking software, the State of New Jersey requires us to inform you about the "Anti-Big Brother" Act: P.L.2013, CHAPTER 44, approved April 15, 2013, Senate No. 2057. This public law states that our district will provide "written or electronic notification that the electronic device may record or collect information on the student's activity or the student's use of the device if the electronic device is equipped with a camera, global positioning system, or other feature capable of recording or collecting information on the student's activity or use of the device..." The notice is required to have a form attached which provides for a parent or guardian signature acknowledging receipt of the form." Click on this link to read the act: http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2012/Bills/S2500/2057_11.HTM

Please note that the Mount Holly School District shall not use any of GoGuardian's capabilities in a manner that would violate the privacy rights of the student or any individual residing with the student.

To meet the requirements set forth in this public law, we need you to complete the form below and return it to your child's homeroom or classroom teacher.

James E. DiDonato
Superintendent of Schools

USE OF CHROMEBOOKS IN THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Please check the box below, sign, and return to your child's homeroom/classroom teacher

- By completing this form and returning it to my child's school, I acknowledge receipt of information about the Anti-Big Brother Act for 2019-2020.

Student Name (print) _____

Teacher: _____

Parent Name: (print) _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature _____