

Guardian's Guide to Privacy & Security

It's not enough for EdTech tools to be easy to use. They've also got to be safe and secure. With Chromebooks and Google Workspace for Education, privacy is not a feature, it's a priority. Schools are in charge of their student content, and students can learn in an accessible, private, and secure digital environment.



What is Google doing to ensure safer digital learning?

When learners are at school, they use Google Workspace for Education Core Services like Classroom, Drive, Docs, and more. Here are some ways you know that your learner and their school account are safe:



Secure by default

We keep your data secure and digital learning environments safe. Google Workspace provides real-time alerts for security threats and Chromebooks are built with multiple layers of security. [Watch this video](#) to learn more.



You're in control

Google for Education is designed with privacy and security as a top priority, which means schools and users maintain the ability to control their Customer Data.



Ad-free, trustworthy content

All of Google Workspace for Education Core Services – like Classroom, Drive, Docs, Gmail, Calendar, and more – are secure, private, and free from advertising. And beyond these tools, Google provides access to quality, age-appropriate educational resources.



Private by design

Privacy is at the very foundation of our educational platform. Google Workspace for Education Core Services all reflect rigorous local, national, and international compliance standards, including [GDPR](#), FERPA, and COPPA. [Watch this video](#) to learn more.



Learn more about [Google for Education's commitment](#) to privacy and security.

How can you support your child's digital well-being and online safety, especially as they navigate new technology?

Online safety: Help students build healthy digital habits and learn about online safety best practices at school, and at home with [Be Internet Awesome](#). Access resources, games, lessons, and the [Be Internet Awesome Family Guide](#) – made in partnership with digital safety experts, like the Family Online Safety Institute.

Digital well-being: For more on finding a balance with technology and how be intentional about time spent online, access the [Digital Wellbeing Family Guide](#). This resource can help families navigate the digital world with information on well-being, protecting personal privacy and security online, how to safeguard your information, how to recognize scams and phishing attempts, and more.

Privacy and security for your learner

Google Workspace for Education accounts are private, secure, and managed by school administrators. Students use these accounts to access popular tools for learning in school, like Classroom, Drive, Docs, and more. Check out our [Privacy and Security Center](#) to learn more about how users, devices, and data are protected. And read the [Google Workspace for Education Privacy Notice](#) for details about your student's school account and what data is collected. Questions? Reach out to your school administrator, [read our FAQ](#), or [contact Google](#).

If your learner has a personal Google Account, it's separate from their school account, and can be used to access tools at home, like YouTube Kids, Google Search, and more. Guardians can monitor their child's account using [Family Link](#) controls to set screen time limits, age-based settings, and more. There is no connection between a student's school account and their personal account – meaning any data from school does not follow learners into their personal account, nor does it follow them after they graduate.



Try these conversation starters to start talking about healthy technology habits at home:

- 01 Are you using a Chromebook in school? What are you using it for?
- 02 What is your favorite thing to do on the internet or on your computer?
- 03 What websites, apps, or videos have taught, inspired, or motivated you?
- 04 How much time are you spending on your phone, computer, or device?
- 05 How do you keep track of your screen time at school? At home?
- 06 What do you think a good digital balance looks like?

