



# Technology Services in Alpine School District

Alpine Schools have a variety of technology available to students to help them learn. Some of the opportunities your student may have include:

- **Google Apps for Education** – 3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are provided a student Google account including Google Drive cloud storage, Google Docs, Spreadsheets, Presentations, Forms, Lucid Charts, and Calendar. YouTube and Google+ are not included.
- **Student Gmail** – These accounts can only send and receive email with other student and school staff addresses. We encourage parents to use their student’s login and password to monitor these accounts regularly.
- **Microsoft Office** – District computers have access to Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.
- **Internet Research** – Students research either in a computer lab or on a device brought into the classroom to open the world of information and complete projects.
- **Reading Apps** - Raz Kids and other reading apps help our early elementary students. Each early elementary classroom has a minilab of Kindle or iPad-mini devices for reading instruction.
- **Assessment Software** – Many schools and teachers have implemented online software for classroom assessments. These systems can give better feedback to students on progress toward mastery of learning goals.
- **Educational Apps**- Access to a variety of other educational sites and apps help students learn as directed by our teachers.

**Authorizing Use of Technology at School**

- Parents grant access to computers, devices, accounts, and the district network through consenting to the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).
- AUP Consent, Media Release, and Discipline Policy forms will be available in August on the Family Access Portal of Skyward under the parent's login.
- Approval of the AUP will carry forward from previous years.
- A parent can change AUP approval status at any time.

## Keeping Students Safe Online

While no system eliminates all danger, Alpine Schools use several levels of security to keep your student safe and away from objectionable content. We encourage parents to partner with us to help keep children safe.

**Get the ASD Mobile App: ASDConnect**  
**Available Fall 2014**

- ✓ Grades and Attendance
- ✓ Meal Menus
- ✓ School Calendars
- ✓ School Information
- ✓ District Alerts

Downloads will be available at [alpineschool.org/connect](http://alpineschool.org/connect)

**Level 1: Supervision and Education** – It takes the student, parent, and teacher working together to be safe. Students are taught to be good digital citizens. This includes not sharing personal information, avoiding and reporting cyber-bullying, and telling a trusted adult if they see inappropriate material. Parents are encouraged to regularly check student accounts and keep an open dialogue with their student about their experiences. Teachers direct and use their best effort to monitor the use of technology.

**Level 2: Network Protection** – Alpine District uses the LightSpeed® content filter on all network traffic

**Level 3: Device Protection** – We use a variety of parent control and safety settings on our different types of devices to enhance the level of protection for our students.

