

# ROWANTY TECHNICAL CENTER

## Distance Learning – Acknowledgement and Consent

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Due to the continuing issues with COVID-19 and its variants, Rowanty will provide distance learning opportunities, when necessary, in order to provide your student with ongoing support to learning. This form identifies the distance learning academic support opportunities, or platforms, that Rowanty may use and asks for you to sign and return the attached form for your student to participate in these opportunities.

Distance learning is instruction in which the student and instructor are in different locations. Distance learning is being defined by the State of Virginia to include video or audio instruction in which the primary mode of communication between the student and instructor is online interaction, instructional television, video, tele-courses or conferences, or other instruction that relies on computer, virtual or communications technologies. It may also include the use of print materials incorporating assignments that are the subject of written or oral feedback. The aim of distance learning is to allow educators and providers, in collaboration with Rowanty to provide ongoing instruction and high-quality educational opportunities.

Rowanty anticipates, at this time, utilizing the following platforms to support your student during this period:

- Google Workspace for Education (Includes Google Classroom, Google Meet)

The use of technology for the provision of educational opportunities through distance learning may result in the creation of pupil records not in Rowanty's control as well as student-generated content, and may result in the unintended revelation of personally identifiable student information beyond Rowanty's control. We acknowledge that many technology platforms maintain data shared on their platforms and want to provide you notice of the same. Rowanty will endeavor to work with the technology companies utilized in the provision of distance learning opportunities to ensure the privacy of our students is maintained consistent with all relevant federal and state laws, including the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). We expect these companies will act consistently with common standards of student privacy used when providing educational services. We will make our best efforts to ensure that the collection and use of any student data is limited to educational purposes only and seek to prevent the unauthorized release information or use of student data for marketing purposes.

## **DISTANCE LEARNING – ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT**

I understand and acknowledge:

- My child has the right to confidentiality as it pertains to distance learning.
- I understand, by law, there are exceptions to confidentiality, including mandated reporting of child, elder, and dependent adult abuse as well as safety concerns related to danger to self and danger to others. I understand my provider may have to break confidentiality under these circumstances.
- My teacher will conduct educationally-related instruction by way of distance learning in a confidential setting.
- My child will remain in a confidential setting during receipt of distance learning to the extent possible, and within Rowanty's control.
- I further understand it is illegal to record any instruction or educational session without prior written consent of the principal and teacher.
- Telephone/audio/video transmission will not be retained by Rowanty in any medium.
- I have the right to discuss any of this information with the teacher and/or principal and to ask questions I may have.
- I acknowledge and reaffirm my agreement under Rowanty's Board Policies, Acceptable Use Policy, and Rowanty's rights to monitor, regulate bullying, and sets expectation for good behavior while using this platform.
- I can withdraw my consent to this form at any time by providing written notice to the principal.

Please fill out the attached consent form indicating you have read, understood, and agreed to the Rowanty distance learning guidelines, use of technology, including online, virtual and communications platforms to provide high quality educational opportunities to my child.

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DISTANCE LEARNING – ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT FORM**

Student's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_