

Exploring Technology Systems 1

Technological Issues and Impacts
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Your child is currently enrolled in the elective class Exploring Technology Systems 1. This course focuses on applying the design process through engaging activities and hands-on projects. Students will be using computers to help design and create solutions to various problems and will have the unique opportunity to use tools and machines to create their designs. Machines available to the students include the band saw, drill press, miter saw, lathe, and various sanders. Instruction about the safe use of the tools and machines is given and supervision is provided. Once students prove they can safely use the machine, they will be allowed to use the machines without one-on-one supervision. A teacher will be in the classroom/lab while students use tools or machines. **Although precautions are taken to prevent accidents, a certain risk is involved** due to the nature of the class, the age of the students, and the learning environment. I am asking for your cooperation in impressing upon your child the importance of listening carefully, following instructions and safety rules, and simply paying attention to their surroundings at all times. Your support is helpful in maintaining a safe environment for your child and the other students as well. Thank you very much for your help and assistance in providing your child with a career and technical educational experience.

- ◆ Use of the tools and machines is a privilege and is not required for the completion of this class.
- ◆ If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail me at jbailey@wcpss.net

1. I have read the information above and I understand the type of program that _____ is participating in. I will stress the safety aspects of this program with my child and will encourage my child to participate fully in the class.

2. Please identify any health problems or medications, which may have a bearing on your child's participation in this class.

3. Please verify and/or change the information on the attached sheet. The information should reflect **parent / guardian emergency contacts**. Who would I call if your child was hurt?

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

E-mail address: _____

(an e-mail address would be very helpful with communication concerning behavior, if there is another form of communication you would like for me to use, please let me know)