

## The Berkeley School Tech Vision Statement

At The Berkeley School, technology--which we define as digital tools and techniques that improve the execution or outcome of a learning process-- helps us carry out the school's mission statement by:

- facilitating teaching and learning that is interactive, interdisciplinary, and collaborative to ignite curious minds.
- eliminating boundaries and borders by connecting students with information, communities and organizations (civic, social, local and global), and building responsible digital citizens to awaken generous hearts.
- equipping students with the ability to adapt and meet challenges, and to select and use an evolving set of tools to engage a changing world.

We believe technology is one part of a healthy, balanced life and educational experience. Technology use at TBS should be developmentally appropriate, monitored, and ethical. It is a right of all students to have access to technology skills and resources to help them embody the mission of our school. As we navigate our changing digital landscape, and the tools our learners need to thrive within it, we will continually review, assess, and improve our use of technology at TBS.

We will see technology in our classrooms and the wider community in the following ways:

- Teachers will access ongoing professional development in education technology.
  Technology integration, developed in collaboration with students and teachers, will be informed by research-based best practices, and supported with appropriate hardware, software, curriculum, network, and information technology expertise.
- Students at TBS will use technology to channel and express creativity, to solve problems, and to access and document their learning in a variety of ways. TBS will support students to become responsible information users and ethical digital citizens.



• TBS will use technology to support the family-school partnership by making thinking visible, increasing equity, and empowering parenting adults with knowledge and skills to navigate the digital landscape with their children.

Together, we will learn the benefits and nuanced limitations of technology and decide when it's best used to complement engaged, thoughtful, and creative learning.