



Google Workspace for Education

Colorado SKIES Academy is excited to offer our learners a digital classroom environment that enables our facilitators and learners to engage, share, and participate in a collaborative learning community. Through Google Workspace for Education, our learners will have access to online classrooms, an email account (restricted to internal communications only for learners under 13), and Google's core services, which include documents, spreadsheets, presentation, forms, and drawings.

Email accounts allow learners and facilitators to communicate and collaborate in a safe and structured manner while also providing access to many web-based educational tools to create stories, concept maps, edit videos, and develop visual presentations.

The use of Google Workspace for Education represents a very important step towards developing a 21st Century approach to curriculum and learning. These tools will support the high levels of communication, collaboration, and creativity required in today's classroom while preparing learners for the skills they're going to need in the future.

What is included in our digital classroom environment?

- Google Workspace for Education Core Services (Includes Documents, Spreadsheets, Presentations, Calendar, Sites, Forms, Drawings, Classroom)
- Learners will be able to send and receive messages within Colorado SKIES Academy and to/from administration approved educational services. (they will not have external email access if they are under the age of 13)
- Additional Apps may be made available to learners when requested by facilitators or administration and when determined to be safe and appropriate

- In compliance with CIPA Guidelines, spam and content filtering is configured for all grade levels

Parent Involvement and Learner Expectations

While we do not provide accounts to parents or guardians, you are highly encouraged to explore G Suite Apps with your children by logging in together. Your child can log in to his or her account via any web browser and can show you what they are currently working on in class.

Learners should consider their school account as an extension of the classroom, subject to the same rules of respect and courtesy that we expect in school. Parents are encouraged to support the discussions our facilitators are having with their children, by talking about online manners and safety.

Safe and Secure Environment

Colorado SKIES Academy takes the security and privacy of learner information very seriously. Colorado SKIES Academy's Google Workspace for Education complies with legal requirements for safety and security under the Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA), Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Please click [here](#) to read Google Workspace for Education's Privacy Notice.