

Isolating Technology

Devices are purchased for a primary use, but today devices are marketed for their ability to do everything. For example, an iPod used to be just music, but if you remember later-stage iPods they basically turned into iPhones.

Deep down, don't we all want a Classic iPod in the house for kids and music?

If we cannot keep devices isolated for their primary use, managing boundaries and parental controls is nearly impossible.

Here is a Suggestion (not a requirement!) for Primary Technology Boundaries for Devices for Kids/Teens:

Computers:

Are for schoolwork, research, maybe some shopping, limited internet searching.

Are NOT for games, social media, endless internet searching, or streaming movies, shows, or YouTube.

Phones:

Are for talking, texting, and some basic apps (Weather, Music, Camera, GPS, school account (Canvas), whatever other 'hand-picked' Apps parents approve.

Are NOT for games, social media, internet (opt'l), YouTube, streaming shows, etc.

Tablets:

These are no-man's land. They have no specific primary purpose.

Video Game Counsels:

Are for video games. 😊

Are NOT for YouTube!

TVs:

Are for shows and movies.

Are NOT for games.