

Shutesbury Elementary School

COPPA Compliance Consent

Shutesbury Elementary School is committed to providing students with access to the most effective, educational web-based tools and applications. In order to create accounts for our students, we must comply with federal regulations requiring parental consent as outlined below.

Our school utilizes several web-based sites and apps that are operated by third party services. In order for our students to utilize these programs and services, basic student information must be provided to the third parties. Under the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), these web-based tools and applications must notify parents and obtain verifiable parental consent before collecting this information from children under 13 years of age. In addition, under this law, schools are permitted to consent to the collection of this information on behalf of its students. This eliminates the need for individual parental consent given directly to each website or app provider. For additional information regarding COPPA, please visit:

<https://www.ftc.gov/tips-advice/business-center/guidance/complying-coppa-frequently-asked-questions-0>

This form will constitute verifiable parental consent for our school to provide personal identifying information for your child that may consist of first name, last name, username, birth date, and, if applicable, email address in order to create accounts on third party websites and apps. A complete list of the websites and apps and links to their privacy policies can be found on our website www.shutesburyschool.org under Service - Technology - COPPA Compliance Consent - Websites and Apps.

Once agreed to, access to websites and apps will remain in effect for the duration of the student's enrollment unless parental permission is withdrawn in writing. If you have questions regarding which third-party apps or websites will be utilized during the current school year, please contact your student's teacher.

How will this affect my child?

If you give permission, the school or your child's teacher will be able to create accounts on educational websites and apps for your child to use at school. The apps and websites used vary in content, but include learning and practicing skills such as phonics, reading, writing, math, communication, and more.