

Why use Google Apps for Education?

- To provide students with access to current technology applications and free tools designed for collaboration with other students and teachers
- To give students the ability to work on their documents both in school and at home - anytime and anywhere from any Internet connected device
- To help students work collaboratively, engage in peer-editing of documents, and publish for a wider audience within the Beaverton School District
- To facilitate “paperless” transfer of work between students and teachers
- To provide adequate (seven gigabytes) long-term storage space for student work
- A potential cost savings in terms of software licensing and document storage

How are the Beaverton School District and Google linked together?

The Google agreement with the Beaverton School District provides access to Google applications and storage. While Google hosts these services off-site, the District maintains the ability to manage users, groups, and settings, much like other locally hosted systems. This means that BSD can grant and remove user access, and control other settings to ensure a safe and secure collaboration environment for students and teachers.

What personal student information and student education records will be stored in Google Apps for Education?

The terms of the Google contract with the Beaverton School District mandate that we must have parental permission for the use of Google Apps for Education. On the Google permission form that parents are asked to sign, it states that *"information about my child will be collected and stored electronically."* Google does not request any personal information from students and the District does not provide personal student data (ex. birthdate, address, phone number, grades, test scores) to Google. That information resides in the BSD student information system and is not stored nor available to Google.

The permission form also states that *"my student's education records stored in Google Apps for Education may be accessible to someone other than my student and the Beaverton School District"*. Examples of student education records in Google are assignments, notes, calendars and projects created by the student.

How are students identified in Google Apps for Education?

Students will log in using the following pattern:

User name: first name initial, middle name initial, last name, birth month (2 digit) @bsd48.org

Password: BSD password

Example: Johanna Rae Smith born in March = jrsmith03@bsd48.org

Julio Sanchez born in November = js11@bsd48.org

Information about the *Google Apps for Education* security and privacy policy is available at:

<http://www.google.com/apps/intl/en/edu/privacy.html>