



Atlantic City Public Schools

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Dear Parent / Guardian:

Atlantic City Public Schools is partnering with LivingTree (www.livingtree.com), an exciting system that gives teachers, parents, and students the ability to engage and communicate in the context of the class and school. On LivingTree, you will be able to stay informed as teachers and students can share messages, photos, files, and events within each class. All communication from the class will feed directly into your LivingTree account, and you will also have direct communication with the teacher and the other parents in the class. All communication takes place in a private and secure group in which only invited students may receive information and participate in the conversation. Please also visit your app store to download the LivingTree app to connect and coordinate with the class and school on-the-go.

Please keep in mind that we are only encouraging the opportunity for improved communication, and at this time are not mandating a specific amount of use by a school, teacher, parent, or student. We do hope that if this method of communicating and connecting with our schools and teachers does not meet your needs, that you will remain connected through one of our many communication mediums.

Your family's privacy is our top priority. LivingTree is a platform that was built by and for parents, who also understand the importance of shared networking and coordinating within a safe and secure environment! None of your child's contact information can be accessed through LivingTree – even by other teachers, students, or family members. This same rule applies to you as a parent user! Welcome to LivingTree through Atlantic City Public Schools; we hope that you will take the opportunity for improved communication and understanding of your child's learning as communicated to you by their teacher.

In accordance with Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 (COPPA), you the parent or the legal guardian of a child under the age of 13, must provide written consent before your child can create a LivingTree account and participate in the classroom community. As a parent, you will also receive an invitation code to stay connected to your child and teacher. By signing this permission form, and accessing LivingTree, you are granting your child permission to create an account, and agree that you and your child will adhere to the District Acceptable Use Policy, Living Tree Terms, Conditions, and Privacy Policy. Please review these policies at www.acboe.org and www.livingtree.com prior to signing and returning this permission form.

By signing below, I am agreeing to allow my child to create a LivingTree account and to adhere to the District Policies, Living Tree Terms, Conditions, and Privacy Policy. I also recognize that LivingTree is for positive communications only and not a forum for individual issues or concerns. I am further authorizing the use of my child's photograph within the application. If at any time you wish to discontinue your child's use of LivingTree, please complete the cancellation form under the LivingTree section at www.acboe.org and follow the instructions to receive the required confirmation of your cancellation.

Student Name (Printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

Grade: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Parent Name (Printed): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____