Notice to Students and Their Families Regarding Online Recording

Andover’s eSummer at Phillips Academy (“eSummer”) incorporates educational, web-based computer applications and online or remote learning programs in its curriculum and program. Information about these applications and programs is available at https://www.andover.edu/summer/esummer-online#faq. Families also may contact eSummer’s Director, Beth Friedman, for more information or any questions about these applications and programs.

This notice alerts students and their families to the need for eSummer faculty and staff to occasionally record portions of the eSummer online and remote learning program for educational purposes. eSummer faculty may choose to record eSummer virtual classes or assignments for a variety of reasons, such as ensuring that all students have access to the program or reviewing student contributions at a later date.

Please note that, as the parent/legal guardian of an enrolled student at eSummer, or on their own behalf as the enrolled student (if 18 years or older), a student’s use of or participation in eSummer’s online and remote learning programs—including any and all related interactions with eSummer and any of its employees and students—constitutes the parent/guardian/student’s consent to such use as well as the parent/guardian/student’s consent to the recording of such use, whether that recording is made by eSummer or any of its employees in the course of their employment or by students in accordance with instructions from a faculty member for educational purposes. This consent applies in any context, including but not limited to both group and one-on-one contexts. Parents/guardians/students must understand and agree that the student is not authorized to record any part of any online and remote learning program except in accordance with instructions from a faculty member for educational purposes, and further that the student is not authorized to share, broadcast, and/or make public any materials created or recorded by eSummer, its employees, or anyone else in relation to eSummer’s online or remote learning programs except in accordance with instructions from a faculty member for educational purposes.

If any parent/guardian/student does not consent to either the use of the web-based computer applications or the recording of any online or remote learning programs, they must notify the Director at bfriedman@andover.edu prior to June 25, 2023. Please understand that a decision to not allow the student to use these applications will seriously impact the student’s ability to participate in eSummer’s programs and activities, including engaging in remote learning.

Alternatively, any student who prefers not to give permission for any given recording should mute their microphone and turn off their video feed. They will still be able to see other members of the class, and to hear the discussion.