Configuration Guidelines
Nintendo Switch

CONFIGURATION GUIDELINES

The following guidelines help deliver a safe, consistent, and manageable environment for esports participation by schools, students, players, and coaches.

LOGICAL / TECHNICAL

<u>Set up two-factor authentication</u> for Nintendo Switch Online accounts.

<u>Turn off data sharing:</u>
In the Nintendo Switch console, navigate to the **eShop** and login. Next, tap your **profile icon** and scroll to the bottom of the page. Under the Google Analytics Preferences, tap **Change**. Select **Don't Share** on the next screen. Last, tap **Change** and then **OK**.

<u>Enable a NAT address in the campus firewall</u> for the Nintendo Switch. Contact your campus IT department and request a public NAT address for your Nintendo Switch. This is generally required for matchmaking in Smash Ultimate. See this Palo Alto KB article for more help:
https://knowledgebase.paloaltonetworks.com/KCSArticleDetail?id=kA10g000000PNVtCAO

<u>Use a school account for Nintendo Switch Online</u>, and encourage players to create named profiles on each device.

<u>Purchase multiple Nintendo Switch consoles</u>, but use the Nintendo Switch Online Family Plan to reduce costs for annual online services costs.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Create a form requiring parents to grant explicit permission to players to play this game title.

Use a strong password with Nintendo Switch Online accounts.
Use a password manager.
Use separate passwords for each account.
Encourage players to create their own profile, and use it to control GamerTag and customized settings.

Use school-based equipment with school-provided Nintendo Switch Online to protect PII.

PHYSICAL

- Consider covering the physical camera on the Switch.
- Use a physical tether, and a lockable dock holder for the Switch, such as the Glistco Dock 'N Lock for Nintendo Switch.
- Store controllers and game cartridges in a locked cabinet when not in use.
- Use the dock and a high refresh screen for competitive play, rather than using the console as a handheld.
- Use the wired network connector for better network performance.