Bring Your Own Device - BYOD

What are the benefits of BYOD?

Makes possible a 21st century classroom

Fosters student ownership of their own learning

Students have real time access to information

Smooth transition between home and school

Provides easier student access to online instructional materials

Supplements school resources and equipment

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Protocol for the Use of Technology on Campus

The district believes technology is a powerful tool to enhance learning for all students. As we work to prepare students for the 21st century, we must challenge students with increased rigor and personalized academic experiences integrating creativity, communication, collaboration and critical thinking. To this end, the district will provide a filtered wireless network through which students and staff can connect privately owned personal devices. All students and staff using a personal device must follow all guidelines in the IJNDB policy, as well as the JICJ policy, while on school property, attending any school-sponsored activity or traveling on any district provided transportation.

Device

For the purposes of BYOD, "device" means a privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic hand held equipment that includes, but is not limited to, laptops, notebooks, netbooks, tablets, iPods, iPads, e-Readers, and smart phones that can be used for word processing, wireless Internet access, image capture/recording, sound recording, and information transmitting, receiving, storing, etc.

Internet

Only the Internet gateway provided by the school, TigerNet, may be accessed while on campus. Personal Internet connective devices such as but not limited to cell phones / cell network adapters are not permitted to be used to access outside Internet sources.

Security and Damages

Responsibility to keep the device secure rests with the individual owner. Saluda School District is not liable for any device stolen or damages on campus. If a device is stolen or damaged, it will be handled through the administrative office similar to other personal artifacts that are impacted in similar situations. It is recommended that skins (decals) and other custom touches are used to physically identify your device from others. Additionally, protective cases for devices are encouraged.

BYOD Student Agreement

The use of personal devices to provide educational material is not a necessity, but a privilege. All usage is under the supervision of the teacher. It is a privilege for a student to use his/her laptop, cell phone or other electronic device while at school. When abused, privileges will be taken away. When respected, they will benefit the learning environment as a whole.

Devices must be off while on school campus and while riding the school bus, unless otherwise directed. They may not be used to engage in unethical conduct or violate any student code of conduct. They also may not be used to record, transmit or post photographic images, or to record video of a person or persons on campus during school activities and/or hours unless given permission from the individual(s) and the instructor for instructional purposes only. Capturing images is prohibited in locker rooms, restrooms or other areas where personal privacy is expected.

BYOD Teacher Agreement

Teachers that allow students to use devices in the classroom must have prior approval from the school administrator. The devices must only be used for instructional purposes. Use of devices provides an alternative means to complete an assignment and is not the only method to accomplish the assignment.

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Protocol for the Use of Technology on Campus

Students and parents/guardians participating in BYOD must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, as well as all Board policies, particularly the Use of Technology Resources in Instruction Acceptable Use Policy and Possession/Use of Wireless Communication Devices in School (IJNDB and JICJ). A link to those policies may be found on the district website (www.saludaschools.org > Departments > Technology > Bring Your Own Device).

Students acknowledge that

- The school's network filters will be applied to one's connection to the Internet and no attempts to bypass the filter will be made.
- Connecting to an open network port in the wall is not allowed. Students may only connect personal devices through a wireless connection on TigerNet.
- Bringing on premises or infecting the network with a virus, Trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information is in violation of Policy JICJ and may incur disciplinary action.
- Processing or accessing information on school property related to "hacking", altering, or bypassing network security policies is in violation of Policy JICJ and may incur disciplinary action.
- The district has the right to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing problems or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
- An administrator may examine a student's personal device and search its contents, in accordance with disciplinary guidelines.
- Access to H drives from personal devices will not be possible at this time.
- Printing from personal devices is not possible at this time.
- Personal devices must be charged prior to bringing it to school and it must run off its own battery while at school.
- Recommended web browsers are Firefox and Chrome.
- The technology staff will not work on personal devices. Consult the manufacturer for support.

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I understand and will abide by the JICJ and IJNDB policies. I further understand that any violation may result in the loss of my network and/or laptop privileges as well as other possible disciplinary action.

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Signature of Student   Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian   Date