



POLICY FOR THE USE OF MOBILE DEVICES AT MONTGOMERY SCHOOL Middle School

Montgomery's **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)** policy is meant to support an educational focus in the classroom while respecting the needs of today's students to participate in learning environments where mobile technologies and devices are integral to communication and information. The School recognizes that reasonable access to personal mobile devices is necessary to support 21st century teaching and learning opportunities.

Incorporating the use of such items as laptops, iPads, netbooks, smart phones and similar devices that provide an interface with the Internet, access content from the Internet, and/or communicate with other devices wirelessly, for **educational purposes only** is integral to communication and information. Similar to other personally owned items, Montgomery is not liable for the loss, damage, misuse, or theft of personally owned devices brought to school.

This notification is to inform and guide you and your Montgomery School student through these new opportunities. Please note that students are never required to bring in outside technology to school. All students will continue to be able to utilize our school equipment. No student will be left out of the instruction process.

Expectations:

1. Montgomery's Policy for the Responsible Use of Technology governs any Internet-connected mobile device, including personally-owned devices.
2. In the classroom rules regarding the use of mobile devices will be established by the classroom teacher.
3. Students will only use appropriate educational applications on their device.
4. Students must access the Internet only through the School's Wi-Fi network.

Reinforcement:

Students utilizing this opportunity to its fullest capacity within school expectations will find numerous benefits to instruction, resources, completion of assignments and personal organization.

Students not following expectations for use of personal devices will face school disciplinary measures and lose the privilege to utilize personal devices in school for a period of time commensurate with the infraction. At the discretion of the division head, the device may be confiscated and parents will be contacted.

All students shall review this policy and associated technology guidelines before they may utilize any school and/or personally owned devices. Montgomery School reserves the right to restrict student use of school owned technologies and personally owned devices on school property or at school-sponsored events.

Students must be aware of using communication appropriately when using school or personally owned devices. Students are not permitted to use any electronic device to record audio or video media or take pictures of any student or staff member without their permission.