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Bring Your Own Device Policy

Technology plays a large role in our students' lives. Personal devices can enhance and enrich learning opportunities both at home and at school. VCS is committed to allowing responsible use of personal devices at school so as to provide as many pathways to understanding as possible for our students. If a teacher is using technology in a classroom lesson or activity, all students will be provided access to necessary devices. If you decide to allow your child to bring a personal learning device on campus, you agree to the following rules and requirements. (reference Board Policy 5695)

General Info

- Access to the VCS wireless network, whether with school-provided or personal devices, is filtered.
- However, access from personal devices is limited to Internet use only. Students will not have access to any documents that reside on the school network from their personal devices.
- Access to the VCS wireless network is a privilege, not a right.
- Any use of the wireless network entails personal responsibility and compliance with the Code of Conduct and all school rules.
- The use of the VCS's network also allows administration to conduct investigations regarding inappropriate Internet use at any time.

Requirements for use

- Use of personal devices during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff.
- Students must use devices as directed by their teacher.
- The primary purpose, and only purpose, of the use of personal devices at school is educational.
- The use of a personal device is not to be a distraction in any way to teachers or students.
- The use of personal devices falls under VCS' Acceptable Use Policy, found in the student handbook.
- Students will refrain from using personal devices at school outside of their classroom unless otherwise directed by their teacher.
- Students shall make no attempts to circumvent the school's network security and/or filtering policies. This includes setting up proxies and downloading programs to bypass security.
- Students shall not distribute pictures or video of students or staff without their permission (distribution can be as small as emailing/texting to one other person or as large as posting image or video online)

VCS Disclaimer of Liability and Student/Family Assumption of Risk

• Students bring their devices to use at VCS at their own risk. It is their duty to be responsible in the upkeep and protection of their devices.

VCS is in no way responsible for

- Personal devices that are broken while at school, on the bus or during school-sponsored activities
- Personal devices that are lost or stolen at school, on the bus or during school-sponsored activities
- Maintenance or upkeep of any device (keeping it charged, installing updates or upgrades, fixing any software or hardware issues)
- Any misuse by the student