Carroll County Public Schools
Bring Your Own Device
Frequently Asked Questions
Students

1. **What devices can be brought to school?**
   Portable electronic devices include, but are not limited to, laptops, tablets, netbooks, mobile phones, mp3 players, and eReaders.

2. **Am I required to bring a device to school?**
   No. It is not mandatory for any student to bring a device to school. BYOD is simply an option for you. Students who choose not to bring in a device will continue to access the appropriate technologies provided by the school.

3. **How do I register my device at school?**
   Once your parent decides to allow you to bring a personally owned device to school, your parent must return the permission form included in the universal parent sign-off information distributed the first day of school. In addition, you and your parent must agree in writing to the Acceptable Use Policy. Then, once per marking period, you will be prompted to re-enable your wireless access on their device at school.

4. **How do I connect my device to the Internet while in school?**
   Students are expected to know how to connect their own device. Many devices will detect a wireless connection when you are near one. If your wireless is set ON, most of the time your device will ask you if you would like to join the network. When prompted, choose the CCPS Guest option. Once you choose this network, you will login with your school user name and password. Always consult your device's owner's manual for exact directions for accessing a wireless network. Failure to properly connect to the CCPS Guest Network may cost you data charges on your mobile data plan.

5. **I brought my device to school to use in the classroom, but my teacher said I couldn't use it in her classroom. Can I still use it?**
   No. CCPS policy allows for the use of portable electronic devices, unless otherwise directed by a staff member. If a teacher asks you to put your device away, then you are expected to follow those directions.

6. **How do I print my work?**
   Printers will not be available when you log in to the wireless network. You should print from a school computer or at home.

7. **I think my device was stolen while at school. What should I do?**
   Bringing your own device to school does involve some risk and responsibility on your part. You should do everything you can to guard your device against theft. It is always a good practice to label or engrave devices and to record your device's serial number to have in case of loss or theft. However, any time a theft occurs, you should report the incident to your school administrator. CCPS assumes no responsibility for the loss, damage, or theft of personally owned portable electronic devices and/or related accessories.

8. **Why am I filtered on my own computer? Shouldn't I be able to access any site I want to on my own device?**
   Internet filtering is a requirement of all public schools. The Children's Internet Protection Act requires all network access to be filtered, regardless of the device you use to access it, while in a public school. You own your device, but the network you are using belongs to the school, and Internet access will be filtered.

9. **Am I still held accountable for the appropriate use of technology even though I am using my own device?**
   Yes. Inappropriate use of technology will result in disciplinary action.

10. **Can an administrator revoke my BYOD privilege?**
    Yes. If a student is not following our BYOD guidelines, the Acceptable Use Policy, or teacher direction for the use of a personally owned device, an administrator may revoke the privilege through the regular discipline process.

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