

Refusal of School Issued Device/ BYOD Agreement Berkshire Local Schools

I understand that by refusing the Berkshire Local Schools' issued device that I am responsible for bringing my own laptop, Chromebook, or iPad to school for academic use. Berkshire is a 1:1 device student learning community. Students are at a distinct disadvantage and will be unable to complete some academic tasks and responsibilities without the use of a device.

Definition of "Device"

For purposes of the Bring Your Own Device program, "Device" means a privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic hand-held equipment that includes laptop and mobile computers, iPads, or a comparable device that can be used for: word processing, wireless Internet access, image capture/recording, sound recording and information transmitting/receiving/storing, etc. **(Gaming devices and smart phones do not qualify in the BYOD program)**

Internet Access

An Internet gateway will be provided by the school via wireless connectivity. Only this connection may be accessed while on campus. Personal Internet connective devices such as but not limited to: cell phones/cell network adapters (tethering) are not permitted to be used to access outside Internet sources at any time.

Security and Damages Responsibility

- Keeping the device safe, secure and free from damage rests with its individual owner.
- Berkshire Local Schools is not liable for any device stolen or damaged while on campus or elsewhere.
- If a device is stolen or damaged, the matter will be handled through the administrative office in the same manner as any other stolen or damaged personal belonging.
- It is strongly recommended that skins (decals), engravings, or other custom markings be used to physically identify your device from others.
- Protective cases for devices are strongly encouraged.

BYOD Student Agreement

Participation in the BYOD program is not a right but a privilege. All students participating in the BYOD program must adhere to applicable rules and regulations including but not limited to those described herein as well as in the Berkshire Student Handbook, Student Code of Conduct, and Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use Policy.

The Devices Must Be Used:

- In silent mode on campus, school buses, and school vehicles.
- Only for classroom curriculum purposes.

- Only with teacher permission in the classroom.

The Devices Must Not Be Used:

- In any way that violates, or attempts to violate, the Student Code of Conduct.
- To capture and/or transmit test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating or academic dishonesty.
- To receive test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating or academic dishonesty.
- To capture, record or transmit the words and/or images of any staff member or student without prior notice and express consent to do so.
- To access any Internet source other than the Internet gateway provided by Berkshire Local Schools.

Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use Policy

For any violation of the Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use policy, one or more of the following penalties will be assessed at the discretion of the school administration:

- Suspension or revocation of participation in the BYOD program, computing and/or other similar privileges.
- Disciplinary action assigned by school administration.
- Legal action including but not limited to an action to recover damages.
- Referral to law enforcement agencies for investigation.

Acknowledgement

Students shall not:

- Bypass, or attempt to bypass, the network filters that are applied to the Internet gateway connection.
- Bring on school grounds, any Virus, Trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information or engage in any other activity to infect, or attempting to infect, the District's network.
- Process or access information on school grounds related to hacking, altering or bypassing network security policies. School representatives may collect and examine any Device that is suspected of causing problems or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
- Be able to print from devices at school. Please be sure to print any necessary information at home or by logging into a desktop in the library.
- Have access to power sources at school. Please be sure to charge devices at home
- Share login information with anyone. Any breach of login information shall be reported to school administration immediately.

Sign and Return this page with your signed AUP agreement:

Date: _____

Student

I, _____ acknowledge that I have read and understand the Berkshire Local Schools BYOD Agreement and the Berkshire Local School District's Acceptable Use Policy documents (attached) . I agree to abide by all of the applicable rules and regulations. I understand that the District reserves the right to access, review, monitor, audit, log and/or intercept computer/technology use at all times and without prior or subsequent notice. I pledge that I will use my Device responsibly and for educational purposes under the direction of classroom teachers. I understand that the use of Devices and all technology at Berkshire Local Schools is a privilege that can be revoked.

Student Signature: _____

Parents or Legal Guardian

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Berkshire Local Schools BYOD Agreement and the Berkshire Local School District's Acceptable Use Policy documents. I agree to abide by all of the applicable rules and regulations. I understand that the District reserves the right to access, review, monitor, audit, log and/or intercept computer/technology use at all times and without prior or subsequent notice. I understand that the use of Devices and all technology at Berkshire Local Schools is a privilege that can be revoked.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:
