

## Bobby Duke Middle School Technology Policy for the 2024 - 2025 School Year

This policy aims to ensure that technology is used in a responsible, ethical, and safe manner to support learning and personal growth.

- 1. Treat all technology devices with care and use it in a way that respects others' privacy and intellectual property.
- 2. Use school-provided technology for educational purposes and follow the instructions of teachers and staff when using technology.
- 3. Do not install unauthorized software or apps on school devices and report any damage or technical issues to a teacher or the school's Instructional Media Assistant immediately.
- 4. Access only age-appropriate and educational websites and avoid downloading or sharing illegal or inappropriate content.
- 5. Do not share passwords and personal information online and report any cyberbullying, inappropriate content, or security concerns to a teacher or administration immediately.
- 6. Log out of accounts when not in use to protect personal information, especially if using a loaner device.
- 7. Use respectful language in all online communications and do not engage in cyberbullying or harassment.
- 8. Personal devices such as cell phones and earbuds are to remain off and be placed in backpacks during the school day. If there is an emergency, students should ask a teacher or a staff member to obtain a pass to the office.
- 9. Bobby Duke is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged personal devices.
- 10. Consequences for violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action, including but limited to loss of technology privileges, detention or other school disciplinary consequences, or involvement of parents/guardians or legal authorities.