Bellflower Unified School District
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

Bellflower Unified School District (BUSD) uses instructional technology to enhance our mission of teaching students to be responsible citizens in an increasingly global community. Collaboration, Communication, Creation, and Critical Thinking are skills that are necessary for our students' success in this global community. In an effort to increase access to these skills, BUSD has in place a ***Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)*** policy. Please review and agree to the guidelines below for your student to participate in this exciting BUSD educational service.

Definition

BYOD is a policy that allows students to bring their own personal electronic devices to school for use. Devices may include, but are not limited to, tablets, laptops, chromebooks, eReaders, and smartphones. With teacher approval, students may use their devices in the classroom to access and save information from the Internet, collaborate with other learners, and utilize productivity tools available to them.

Internet Access

BUSD offers filtered and managed wireless access. What this means is that BUSD is compliant with all federal regulations requiring districts to restrict student access to websites or other Internet resources and content that are not appropriate for minors based on content or commercial interests requiring students to divulge personal information. Students in grades 6-12 may bring a personal computing device to school and connect the device to the school WiFi network. Uses while on campus are for educational purposes and are subject to individual teacher approval.

Guidelines

When using personal electronic devices on BUSD campuses, students will be expected to expand their concept of their school community to the community they will be interacting with online. Therefore, it is important for all students to follow the guidelines outlined below:

- Students will demonstrate appropriate use of devices.
- Rules concerning devices apply from the time the student leaves for school until the time they arrive home.
- Devices may not be used to disrupt the educational environment or violate the rights of others.
- Devices may not be used to cheat, violate school conduct rules, or harass/bully students or staff.

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- Devices used for unlawful purposes could result in confiscation of the student owned device by a teacher or administrator. Student may also be subject to disciplinary action, and serious offenses will be reported to the local authorities.
- Recording the voice or image of another in any way that disrupts the educational environment, invades the privacy of others, or is made without the consent of the individuals being recorded is prohibited.
- The possession of pornographic images or video on any electronic device is prohibited.
- Students participating in BYOD must adhere to the Student Handbook, Acceptable Use Policy, and all Board Policies, particularly Internet Acceptable Use.
- The teacher has the discretion to allow and regulate the use of personal devices in the classroom and on specific projects.
- Printing from personal devices will not be possible at school.
- Devices must be in silent mode while on campus unless otherwise allowed by a teacher.
- Any attempt to bypass the District's network filters is prohibited while using District WiFi.
- Students and parents should be aware that devices are subject to search by school administrators if the device is suspected of a violation of school/district policy.
- Students will use District WiFi bandwidth for educational purposes only. Use of bandwidth for personal use is prohibited.
- All student personal devices will maintain up to date antivirus and malware protection to avoid infection of the District network with viruses Trojans, or other programs designed to damage, alter, or destroy data and information.

Device Responsibility

While students will be allowed to access the Internet through District WiFi, the District will not maintain responsibility for the device. Electronic devices brought to school by students are their sole responsibility, and the campus or district assumes no responsibility for personal devices if they are lost, loaned, damaged, or stolen. Students are expected to keep their devices secure at all times. It is the responsibility of the student to charge their device before arriving at school, and it is the expectation that devices will run on battery power while at school. BUSD is not responsible for any possible device charges to your account that might be incurred during approved school related use.

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Agreement

By signing below, I understand and will abide by the above policy and guidelines. I further understand that failure to abide by the policy could result in revocation of my network and/or device privileges and could result in further disciplinary action. Additional rules regarding the use of personal devices may be added as deemed necessary.

_____	_____
Print Student Name	Print Parent/Guardian Name
_____	_____
Student Signature	Parent/Guardian Signature
_____	_____
Date	Date