TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

Countryside uses the model of Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) for 5th - 8th grade students. BYOD programs enhance student learning in the following ways:

- Students who bring their own devices from home are already familiar with and comfortable using the device, thus increasing productivity.
- Students take care of and are responsible for their device, leading to better outcomes in digital citizenship.
- Having the same device at school and at home creates a seamless opportunity for learning.
- Students' mobile devices tend to be more cutting-edge than what we as a school can provide.

We do not recommend any specific device over another. Students can use a laptop, Chromebook, or tablet with attached keyboard.

Students are provided with a school email account for our Learning Management System.

Phones are not permitted in class without permission from the classroom teacher. Phones remain turned off and in the students' backpacks in their cubbies during the day. **Smart watches are also not permitted in class.**