

## Protocol for the Use of Technology in Jones County School System BYOD Pilot

As new technologies continue to change the world in which we live, they also provide many new and positive educational benefits for classroom instruction. During the 2014-2015 school year, Bring Your Own Device, BYOD, is being piloted in several classes throughout the county. Each teacher at the school will notify parents of the program parameters at their school. Students who do not have their own device to bring to school will not be penalized. Please do not feel obligated to purchase a device for your child. Students will be encouraged to work collaboratively while allowing the owner of the device to be the one to manipulate and handle the device.

### **Definition of "Device"**

For purposes of BYOD (Bring Your Own Device), "device" means a privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic hand held equipment that includes, but is not limited to, existing and emerging mobile communication systems and smart technologies, portable Internet devices, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), hand held entertainment systems or portable information technology systems that can be used for word processing, wireless Internet access, image capture/recording, sound recording and information transmitting/receiving/storing, etc.

### **Internet**

In accordance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), only the Jones County Wi-Fi provided by the school should be accessed while on campus. Personal Internet connective devices such as but not limited to cell phones/cell network adapters should not be used to access outside Internet sources at any time.

### **Security and Damages**

Responsibility to keep the device secure rests with the individual owner. **The Jones County School System, its staff and its employees, are not liable for any device stolen, lost, or damaged on campus.** If a device is stolen or damaged, the situation will be handled through the administrative office similarly to other personal artifacts that are impacted in similar situations. It is recommended that skins (decals) and other custom touches are used to physically identify your device from others. Additionally, protective cases for technology are encouraged.

### **BYOD Student Agreement**

Students and parents/guardians participating in BYOD must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, as well as all Board policies, particularly Internet Acceptable Use and Internet Safety. Additionally, technology:

- Must **not** be in use or visible outside of classrooms while on school campuses.
- May not be used to cheat on assignments or tests, or for non-instructional purposes (such as making personal phone calls and text/instant messaging).
- May not be used to record, transmit, or post photographic images or video of a person, or persons on campus during school activities and/or after school hours for sharing outside of educational purposes in the classroom.
- May only be used to access files on computer or Internet sites which are relevant to the classroom curriculum. Games are not permitted. Using devices for any purpose other than that which is specified by the teacher will result in disciplinary action according to the school's discipline procedures.

### *Students acknowledge that:*

- The school's network filters will be applied to one's connection to the Internet and attempts will not be made to bypass them.
- Bringing on premises or infecting the network with a Virus, Trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information is in violation of Jones County Internet Safety policy.
- Processing or accessing information on school property related to "hacking", altering, or bypassing network security policies is in violation of Jones County Internet Safety policy.
- The school district has the right to collect and examine any device that is suspected of cheating, causing disruption, or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
- Printing directly from personal laptops will not be possible at school.
- Personal technology is charged prior to bringing it to school and runs off its own battery while at school.

My child and I understand and will abide by the above protocols and guidelines. We further understand that any violation is unethical and may result in the loss of network and/or technology privileges as well as other disciplinary action.

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Signature of Student

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Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date