

Bring Your Own Device to Help You Learn at School

Bainbridge Island School District #303

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What is Bring Your Own Device?

- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) creates a way for you to bring your own computing device to help you learn at school.
- You will log into the school's wireless network to get to the Internet for classroom and school activities.
- During school hours and activities, you are required to use the school's network with both personally-owned and district-owned devices.

Why BYOD?

- Online resources and technology are an important part of learning.
- You need to develop your expertise in the use of technology devices and online resources.
- BYOD will help you have better access to the resources you need to learn.
- BYOD may provide more choices for your own technology use in the classroom.

Who?

Based on teacher permission and relevant to classroom learning goals:

- Students in grades 5-12

Who Decides?

- **Teachers** choose:
 - To allow use of your device in class or not allow it.
 - The device is meant to help you learn.
- **Parents** choose:
 - to allow you to bring your device or not.
- **Students** choose:
 - to bring own device or not.

What Access Will Students Have?

- Schools are required by law to filter some Internet content for students.
- The student wireless network will have the required content filters in place.
- Students must use Internet connection provided by the school district during school hours and activities.
- All students & parents signed the Electronic User Agreement; it is your responsibility to use the technology responsibly or your privileges may be taken away.

Will My Device Work?

- Devices must be ones that you would normally expect to connect to a wireless network if you were away from home.
- Practice logging into a wireless network away from home before you come to school with your own device.
- You are responsible for all trouble-shooting on your own device.

Who's Responsible?

- **Bring your device at your own risk.**
- If you bring a device, you are responsible for keeping it safe and secure.
- Keep your device with you or in a locked area.
- Do not leave your device in a classroom or on a table or in your backpack.
- Also, you are responsible for the appropriate use of your personal computing device.

What to Expect?

- At home, learn to connect your own device to a wireless network . . . before you connect at school.
- You will need to provide your own solutions for device or application issues.
- A search on the Internet can provide resources and answers to many of your connection questions.
- Teachers and school staff cannot work on students' personally-owned devices.

Who Decides When to Use Personally-Owned Devices?

- Teachers and school staff make the final decision for use of technology, including personally-owned devices, in class and at school.
- Teachers cannot require students to have or bring personally owned devices to school or class.

User Agreement

- You and your parent or guardian signed the Electronic Resources User Agreement
- Review it on the BISD Technology website:
<http://www.bisd303.org/Page/978>
- You are responsible for safely and appropriately using technology, both district-owned and personally-owned hardware and software.

Digital Contracts

- Your school or class may develop an additional digital contract to clarify BYOD use at your school.
- The contract will help you better understand the rules for safe and responsible technology use at your school.
- Your school's digital contract will support the laws and district policies about technology use by students at school.

Some Basic Questions

- Are parents or students expected to buy a device for school?
 - No, staff cannot expect students to bring a personally owned device to school.
- Can my teacher decide when and where I use my computing device?
 - Yes, your teacher will decide when it is appropriate to use your device in class and at school.
- Who can help me if I have a technical issue?
 - If you have an issue, ask a family member or classmate, or research your question on the Internet after school.

How Do I Connect My Device?

- Go to the area or settings on your device for connecting to a wireless network.
- Choose “BISD-BYOD”
- You may see your type of device in the list, if so, choose it.
- Enter your BISD network username and password.

What if You Get Disconnected?

- If the connection to the Internet on your personally-owned device is disconnected, *from home* you will need to:
 1. Update the anti-virus software on your device,
 2. Check for malware, and
 3. Research if one of the apps on your device is trying to reach material blocked by the required educational content filter.

What if I have other problems?

- Teachers and staff cannot support your device if it doesn't work.
- If you are having difficulty, ask a family member, fellow student or do an Internet search from home or the public library about your issue.
- Keep in mind, if you don't use the network for a period of time, you may be timed out. You may need to login periodically.

Questions or Comments?

- Talk with your classroom teacher.
- Talk with your teacher-librarian.
- Talk with the school counselor.
- Talk with the school principal.