Sample BYOT Acceptable Use Policy

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Definition of "Technology"

For purposes of BYOT, "Technology" means a privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic handheld equipment that includes, but is not limited to, existing and emerging mobile communication systems and smart technologies, portable Internet devices, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), handheld 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

Only the Internet gateway provided by the school may be accessed while on campus. Personal Internet connective devices, such as but not limited to cell phones/cell network adapters, are not permitted to be used to access outside Internet sources at any time.

Security and Damages

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

BYOT Student Agreement

The use of technology to provide educational material is not a necessity but a privilege. A student does not have the right to use his or her laptop, cell phone, or other electronic device while at school. When abused, privileges will be taken away. When respected, BYOT devices will benefit the learning environment as a whole.

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Students and parents/guardians participating in BYOT must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, as well as all Board policies, particularly Internet Acceptable Use (Policy IFBG) and Internet Safety (Policy IFBGE). Additionally:

- Student takes full responsibility for his or her laptop and keeps it with him or herself at all times. The school is not responsible for the security of the laptop.
- Technology must be in silent mode while on school campuses and while riding school buses.
- Technology 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.
- Technology 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 hours.
- Student accesses only the files on the computer or Internet sites that are relevant to the classroom curriculum; games are not permitted.
- Student complies with teachers' request to shut down the computer or close the screen.
- Student acknowledges that the school's network filters will be applied to one's connection to the Internet and will not attempt to bypass them.
- Student understands that 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 the AUP policy and will result in disciplinary actions.
- Student realizes that processing or accessing information on school property related to "hacking," altering, or bypassing network security policies is in violation of the AUP policy and will result in disciplinary actions.
- The school district has the right to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing problems or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
- Student understands that access to his or her H drive through Citrix allows downloading files but not always uploading files. Files may have to be saved on the C drive of the laptop, a jump drive, an external drive, or another media device.
- Student realizes that printing from personal laptops will not be possible at school.
- Laptop should be charged prior to bringing it to school and should run off its own battery while at school.

I understand and will abide by the above policy and guidelines. I further understand that any violation is unethical and may result in the loss of my network and/or laptop privileges as well as other disciplinary action.

Signature of Student _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

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