

TCSC Bring-Your-Own-Device (BYOD) Policy for 2015-2016 School Year

Technology Plays a large role in our student' lives. Personal devices can enhance and enrich learning opportunities both at home and at school. Tri-County School Corporation is committed to allowing responsible, learning-centered use of personal devices at school so as to provide as many pathways to understanding as possible for our students.

General Information

Access to the TCJSHS wireless network, whether with school-provided or personal devices, is filtered in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). However, access from personal devices is limited to Internet use only. Students will have to download documents stored on the Local Network via web browser from their personal devices.

Access to the Tri-County Wireless network is a privilege, not a right.

Any use of the wireless network entails personal responsibility and compliance with all school rules and the Responsible Use Policy (RUP). The use of the Tri-County School Corporation network also allows IT staff to conduct investigations regarding inappropriate Internet use at any time, by administrator request.

Guidelines for Use

- Use of personal devices during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff. Students must use devices as directed by their teacher
- The primary purpose of the use of personal devices at school is educational. Personal use for personal reasons is secondary.
- The use of personal devices falls under TCSC's RUP, found in the student handbook.
- Students will refrain from using personal devices outside of their classroom, other than before school, or during lunch unless otherwise directed by their teacher.
- Students shall make no attempts to circumvent the school's network security and/or filtering policies. This includes setting up proxies or downloading programs to bypass security.
- Students shall not distribute pictures or video of students or staff without their permission (distribution can be as small as emailing/texting to one other person or as large as posting image or video online)

All School rules apply with personally owned devices.

Consequences for Misuse/Disruption

(one or more may apply):

- Device taken away for the period
- Device taken away and kept in the front office until a parent can pick it up
- Student is not allowed to use Personal Devices at school
- Disciplinary Referral resulting in Alternative Programming or OSS

School Liability Statement

Students bring their devices for use at TCJSHS at their own risk. It is their duty to be responsible in the upkeep and protection of their devices.

Tri-County School Corporation is in no way responsible for:

- Personal Devices that are broken while at school or during school-sponsored activities
- Personal devices that are lost or stolen at school or during school-sponsored activities.
- Maintenance or upkeep of any device (keeping it charged, installing updates, or upgrades, fixing any software or hardware issues), installing any software that is required for class.