



SECTION 1000: STUDENTS AND SCHOOLS

POLICY 1090: Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT)

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POLICY STATEMENT

Coast Mountains School District 82 (CMSD82) strives to inspire success, confidence and hope in each student. As aspiring leaders in the use of technology, we encourage creative and innovative learning. In an effort to personalize learning and increase access to those 21st Century skills, Coast Mountains School District will allow personal devices on its guest network and school grounds for students to maximize their learning.

RATIONALE

Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) means students bring their own devices to school for educational purposes. In the classroom, students will use devices responsibly, and only with the permission and direction of the teacher or other staff members. Technology alone will not improve learning – when combined with the pedagogy based on most current educational research, personal devices serve as a successful platform for learning. The increased use of technology in Coast Mountains' classrooms is an important factor in elevating student success today and for the future.

POLICY

Users are required to accept the following terms of use prior to connecting to the Coast Mountains' student network:

CMSD82 is providing wireless connectivity as a student service and offers no guarantees that any use of the wireless connection is in any way secure, or that any privacy can be protected when using this wireless connection.

Use of the CMSD82-BYOT wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user, and CMSD82 is not responsible for any loss of any information that may arise from the use of the wireless connection, or for any loss, injury or damages resulting from the use of the wireless connection.

The use of personal devices by students is optional, and students who do not participate in BYOT will not be penalized and alternate modes of participation will be available.



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In addition to the rules outlined in these guidelines, students will be expected to comply with all class and school rules while using personal devices.

Guidelines:

- Students and parents/guardians participating in the BYOT must adhere to the School Code of Conduct and all Board Policies and Procedures, particularly the Internet Acceptable Use.
- Each teacher has the discretion to allow and regulate the use of personal devices in the classroom and on specific projects.
- Students may not use devices to record, transmit, or post photographic images, video or audio recording of a person on the school property during school hours or during school activities, unless otherwise allowed by a teacher. Students will be subject to the School Code of Conduct for inappropriate use of technology.

Students and Parents/Guardians acknowledge that:

- CMSD82 is authorized to collect and examine any device that is suspected of causing technology problems or was the source of an attack or virus infection.
- Students and parents/guardians should be aware that devices are subject to search by school administrators if the device is suspected of a violation of the School Code of Conduct.

Lost, Stolen or Damaged Devices:

Each user is responsible for his/her own device and should use it responsibly and appropriately. The school district takes no responsibility for stolen, lost, or damaged devices, including lost or corrupted data on those devices.

The school district is not responsible for any possible device charges to a student's account that might be incurred during approved school-related use.

Equity of Access a Key Priority:

It is recognized that not all parents/guardians can or want to send their child to school with a device. In this case, schools will ensure devices and other technology are available for students to use at school and all students will have access to technology in their classrooms. Used collaboratively technology can transform learning.