

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

BYOD Program

BYOD is a special privilege given to students of our school which allows students to bring their device and use their own devices for events like International exams, for digital events like Digital Fest Competitions, school Exhibition etc. Wireless access will be provided to students during the conducting of the event. Permission to bring and use personal devices is contingent upon adherence to responsible use guidelines. Please note that if a personal device is used by a student for malicious purposes, to contravene privacy or to cause disruption to the educational environment, student's network or Internet access privileges may be revoked or limited.

Definition of Personal Device

For purposes of BYOD, portable electronic hand-held device/equipment like laptop and tablet are only allowed that can be used for word processing, wireless internet access, image capture and recording, sound recording and the transmitting, sending and storage of information. Wearable technology timepieces (such as smart watches) and fitness bands are not permitted.

At Scholars, smartphone usage as BYOD is not permitted. BYOD is for use in classroom or event time only. Data (of any type) should not be uploaded to the Internet (or be stored/used in a publicly visible digital location) without the verbal permission of the teacher.

Conditions of Use

- All students may use a personal technology device in school network by completing and submitting the attached BYOD Policy agreement.
- The use of personal technology device is solely limited to supporting and enhancing educational situations. They are to be used with the guidance of teachers, in and around the classrooms. personal technology device should not be used for non-educational purposes in lessons unless the student is given permission to do so by the teacher.
- Only the school network can be accessed on campus by students.
- Students must respect their peers and staff at all times when using personal technology devices. No malicious usage is permitted. Students may not engage in any malicious behaviour involving the use of personal technology device or intend to cause disruption to the school network.
- Students may not record images (still or moving) of other students or members of staff without first gaining their personal permission to do so.
- Students should be aware that staff will be able to ask a student if they can view the contents of their personal technology device if there is reasonable suspicion that the student has violated the BYOD policy agreement, school rules or is engaged in any other misconduct when using the device in school.
- Students may not use a privately-owned personal technology device in lessons unless they have submitted a signed copy of this document to their teacher in advance.
- No student shall establish a wireless peer-to-peer network using his/her personal technology device, or any other wireless device, while in school.
- The teacher may request, at any time that personal technology device be turned off in the classroom or outside. Failure to do so may result in revocation of access to school network.
- Sound should be muted on all personal technology device during lesson or event unless the teacher authorises the use of sound.
- No student shall use another student's network login details and password.

- No school owned software may be installed on a personal technology device by a student.
- Students may not attempt to use software, utilities or other means to access internet sites or content that is blocked by the school’s internet/network filters. Usage of VPN software is not allowed.
- Students must take full responsibility for their personal technology device at all times, unless the teacher gives permission for them to be stored in the classroom, in a secure location (eg: lockable filing cabinet). However, personal technology device would still be stored at the owner’s risk.
- school will not provide a repair service or software installation to any personal technology device.
- This policy is in addition to acceptable use policy and agreements that are already in existence.

Lost or stolen devices

The user is entirely responsible for his/her own Personal Technology Device. The device should be treated responsibly and used with care. School will accept no responsibility for PTDs that are damaged, lost, stolen, or which have data infected/corrupted. Teachers will help students identify how to keep personal technology devices secure, but students have the final responsibility for securing their devices.

BYOD PARENT AND STUDENT AGREEMENT FORM

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

I/we have read the SCHOLARS Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) RESPONSIBLE USE AND AGREEMENT FORM and hereby agree to the conditions of use as stated in it.

I/we understand that this policy form and the privilege to use personal technology device at SCHOLARS may be revoked at any time.

I/we understand that any violations of this policy may result in access to the school network being withdrawn when used in conjunction with a personal technology device.

I/we give permission for (please print name) to use a personal technology device(s) on the school wireless network.

Device	Device Type, Brand and Model No	Virus software installed (if applicable?)
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Parent/guardian signature:

Date:

Student signature:

Date:

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