

Carrollton City School System

Student Acceptable Use and BYOD Protocols

The Carrollton City School System is committed to moving students and staff forward in a 21st Century learning environment. As part of this plan, Carrollton City School System will now allow students and staff to access the system's wireless network using their own technology devices (laptops, Smart Phones, iPads, etc.) during the learning day. With classroom teacher approval, students may use their own devices in the classroom to access and save information from the Internet, communicate with other learners and use the productivity tools loaded on their devices.

As always, our goal is to promote educational excellence in our district by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication for parents, students, and teachers. The availability of the Carrollton City School System network services provides students and teachers access to electronic mail, communication with people all over the world, information and news from around the world, access to university library catalogs and databases, and many other opportunities not available without its use. However, with this access comes the availability of resources and materials that may not support instruction in the classroom setting.

The Carrollton City School System has taken all available precautions to restrict access to these materials and other information that may be controversial to its users. However, it is impossible to examine all web sites that may be deemed unsuitable to our educational standards. Because the Carrollton City School System Network is used as part of the school's instructional program, student behavior with regard to device utilization will be subject to the school's code of conduct as formalized by individual standards or responsibility, school, and district policies. At the same time, the Carrollton City School System places a high value on a student's right to freedom of expression.

Knowing that, the terms and conditions for use are provided below so that each user will be aware of the responsibilities, which accompany the privilege of use. In general, this requires efficient, ethical, and legal utilization of the network resources. The Carrollton City School System also disapproves of plagiarism and copyright violations. According to the Copyright Act of 1976, "Fair Use" means that you may freely use any information that you legally find on the information networks as long as you do so only for scholarly purposes. You may not plagiarize or sell what you find. Webster's dictionary defines plagiarism as, "[t]aking ideas or writings from another person and offering them as your own." Credit should always be given to the person who created the article or the idea.

If a Carrollton City School System user violates any of these provisions, his or her network account may be terminated and future access could be denied. The below benefits, terms, and conditions outlined should be read carefully by parents, students, and staff as they relate to Bring Your Own Device.

User Benefits-

Students will have the opportunity to benefit from the use of their devices in the following ways:

- Research/Accessing Information
- Note-Taking
- Calendar Access for Recording Assignments and Due Dates
- Email Correspondence with Classroom Teacher
- Supervised Video Recording and Photography for Project-Based Learning
- Engaging Learning via Educational Applications and Online Educational Gaming Technology

Terms and Conditions-

The following will not be permitted:

- Sending or displaying offensive or pornographic messages or pictures
Harassing, insulting, or attacking other users on the Internet or our network
Engaging in promoting violence or gang activity
- Receiving or transmitting information pertaining to dangerous instrumentalities such as bombs, firearms, or explosive devices.
Damaging computer, computer systems, or computer networks, technology equipment, or intentionally infecting devices with viruses
Trespassing into other users email accounts, folders, work, files, or computers
- Intentionally wasting limited resources
- Employing the network or Internet for commercial purposes
- Transmitting personal information without written permission
- Intentionally disrupting information network traffic or crashing the network and/or connected systems
- Degrading or disrupting equipment or system performance
- Violating copyright laws
- Plagiarism
- Students shall refrain from inappropriate communication with a student or groups of students or minors, including, but not limited to, electronic communication such as cell phone, text messaging, e-mail, instant messaging, blogging, or interacting with other individuals on social networking web sites and in chat rooms.
- Sexual harassment of a student, including harassment committed by another student, includes unwelcome sexual advances; requests for sexual favors; or sexually motivated physical, verbal, or nonverbal conduct when the conduct is so severe, persistent, or pervasive
- Students must refrain from bullying which occurs when a student or a group of students engages in written or verbal expression, expression through electronic means, or physical conduct that occurs on school property, at school sponsored or school-related activities, or in a vehicle operated by the district
- Any person taking, disseminating, transferring, possessing, or sharing obscene, sexually-oriented, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or other content, commonly referred to as "sexting," will be disciplined according to the Student Code of Conduct
- Students accept full responsibility for the safety and care of their electronic devices while on school grounds. The school will not be held liable in any way for the loss, damage, or theft of student devices.
- The Carrollton City School District reserves the right to confiscate and examine any piece of technology deemed to be infected with a virus. Furthermore, the technology can be examined if suspicious activity is witnessed either by a staff member or the school's network monitoring devices and tools.
- Students must connect to the Carrollton City School System's wireless network to access the network when participating in the Bring Your Own Device Pilot.
Students should have a means of identifying their device in the event another student in the classroom has a similar technology tool.
- Students participating in the pilot may only utilize their device during teacher authorized times for instructional purposes; all other technology rules apply outside of the pilot implementation parameters.

Consequences and Violations-

Consequences and violations include but are not limited to:

Suspension and/or revocation of network access; Suspension and/or revocation of computer access; In-School suspension; Conference with parent or guardian; School expulsion; or Legal action and prosecution by legal authorities



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