

Kosciusko School District's Wi-Fi and Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

This is an addendum to the Internet Appropriate Use policy. All terms and conditions in that policy also apply here. This policy is not intended as a requirement that any staff or student bring personal technology to school. All students are required to utilize school equipment except under certain conditions under the direction of the teacher or administrator.

Technology plays a large role in our students' lives. Personal devices can enhance and enrich learning opportunities both at home and at school. Kosciusko School District 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.

The purpose of the following policy is to authorize students to bring their own technology devices to school for use in our classrooms under certain strict conditions. Kosciusko School District will now be incorporating the use of such items as laptops, tablets, and iPads with browsing capabilities and/or educational apps and software using our Wi-Fi infrastructure.

As with other personally-owned items, the school district shall not be held liable for the loss, damage, misuse, or theft of personally-owned devices brought to school or during school-sponsored activities. Staff or students who bring their own devices to use at Kosciusko School District do so at their own risk. Kosciusko School District is in no way responsible for maintenance or upkeep of any device (keeping it charged, installing updates or upgrades, fixing any software or hardware issues, etc.)

Students who are granted the limited right to use their personally-owned technology resources in the Kosciusko School District are able to do so only upon return of the signed Kosciusko School District's Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy Student Agreement/Parent Permission Form.

Access to the District's wireless network, including the Internet, shall be made available to students and employees only for instructional and administrative purposes and in accordance with administrative regulations.

Access to the district's electronic communications system is a privilege, not a right. There is no expectation of privacy. All users shall be required to acknowledge receipt and understanding of all administrative regulations governing use of the system and shall agree in writing to comply with such regulations and guidelines. Noncompliance with applicable regulations may result in suspension or termination of privileges and other disciplinary action consistent with district policies. Violations of law may result in criminal prosecution as well as disciplinary action by the district.

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To ensure the learning and safety of all of our students, Kosciusko School District students and parents agree to both read and abide by the following guidelines:

- Devices are for educational use. Students may not play games, text, access any social networks and etc. while at school. Violations of this policy may result in loss of use and/or disciplinary action. While on campus, devices may be turned on only when permitted by the teacher and/or administrator.
- Personally-owned devices used in school are not permitted to connect to the Internet through their own devices data connection. Personally-owned devices must access the Internet via the school's content filtered wireless network.
- Streaming videos from the Internet, (example YouTube), during school hours is permitted only with the direct supervision of the teacher and/or administrator.
- Students should not ever access restricted sites.
- Students may not in any way use other means to access restricted sites.
- Students may not post images of teachers, staff or other personnel on the Internet without receiving permission from the individual(s) involved.
- Students may not post pictures of any student with or without their permission.
- Inappropriate images are not permitted to be posted, at any time, with or without their permission. Any student, who posts inappropriate images, may be reported to and could be dealt with by the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- Students may not use the cameras on any device unless given permission by and under the direct supervision of a teacher and/or administrator during school hours.

Consequences of Inappropriate Behavior

Any user who does not comply with these guidelines will be subject to losing the privilege of bringing his/her device for an indefinite period of time, that period of time to be set at the discretion of the school principal and/or administrator. Students who have repeated or severe infractions of the policy will be subject to disciplinary action by the administration. Violations of federal and state regulations, such as sending threatening email and accessing or distributing obscene material etc., may be reported to and dealt with by the governing law enforcement agency and the school district's proper personnel.

Disclaimer

Kosciusko School District is not responsible for any damages suffered including loss of data resulting from delay, non-deliveries, service interruptions, or inaccurate information. The person operating the device accepts personal responsibility for any information obtained via the Internet or other electronic sources. The person operating the device accepts personal responsibility for actions on the Internet.

Vandalism

Vandalism will result in immediate disciplinary action by the administration. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy any part of Kosciusko School District technology resources or personal technology items belonging to another student or teacher. This includes, but is not limited to, uploading, creating, and/or transmitting computer viruses or "hacking" into any part of the Kosciusko School District network.

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Student Agreement/Parent Permission Form

I have read the Kosciusko School District Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy. I understand and will abide by the terms and conditions as stated.

- The district is not responsible for devices including loss; theft; maintenance; upkeep, or data loss and/or corruption.
- I understand that devices are only to be turned on when permitted by the teacher.
- I further understand that not following the guidelines set forth in this policy may result in a loss of privilege(s) as defined by the policy.

The Kosciusko School District supports and respects each family's right to decide whether or not to allow your child to bring personal devices to school. All students are encouraged to utilize school equipment.

Signature of Student

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date