

Davis Joint Unified School District Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

Introduction and Purpose

The Davis Joint Unified School District (DJUSD) recognizes that our information-based world is becoming increasingly complex and students who are skilled in creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration are better prepared for college and careers. DJUSD currently provides its students with a variety of communications and information technologies that are appropriate and relevant to support instructional purposes. These technologies, when properly used, promote educational excellence in the District by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, collaboration, and communication.

In an effort to bring more technology tools into our classroom and to leverage student-owned technology, DJUSD will allow personal technology devices to be brought onto campuses and onto our guest wireless network, subject to the rules, procedures, and limitations set forth below and in any laws, rules, policies, regulations, or agreements referenced or incorporated herein.

The purpose of this Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Responsible Use Agreement (Agreement) is to allow for student possession and educational use of personal electronic devices while ensuring appropriate behavior and protecting the security and integrity of the District's data and technology infrastructure. Therefore, student access to the District's network via personally-owned devices is a privilege, and students must abide by this Agreement, the Student Responsible Use of Technology Agreement, the Standards for Student Behavior, and all policies and regulations related to student conduct and use of technology.

The use of personal technology devices by students is optional. The use of personal technology devices will not be used as a factor in grading or assessing student work. However, if an assignment requires the use of a personal technology device, students who do not have access to the necessary personal technology device will be provided with the temporary use of comparable District-owned equipment. When this is not possible, students will be given similar or equivalent assignments that do not require access to personal technology devices.

Definition of Personal Technology Device

A Personal Technology Device (PTD) is any privately-owned technological device that includes, but is not limited to: laptops, Chromebooks, tablets, e-readers, iPads, iPods, cell phones, smart phones, personal digital assistants (PDAs), or any other current or emerging devices that can be used for word processing, Internet access, recording of images and/or sound, email, messaging, apps, etc.

Responsibility, Security and Damages

Responsibility to keep the PTD secure rests with the individual owner. DJUSD is not liable for any PTD that is lost, stolen, damaged, or infected by malware on campus, at school functions, or coming to and from school. If a PTD is lost, stolen, or damaged, the matter will be handled through the administrative office in the same manner as other personal belongings. DJUSD is not liable for any charges or fees incurred by students from their cellular service provider if they fail to use the District's wireless network while working on school-related projects or activities under the direction of DJUSD Staff.

Guidelines

It is a privilege, rather than a right, for a student to bring personal technology devices to school. When all relevant policies are followed, our learning environment will be enhanced. However, when policies are abused, the privileges may be taken away and confiscation and/or disciplinary action may occur. By signing the **Summary Signature Page** included in the 2021-22 registration materials, students and their parents/guardians acknowledge that they agree to the rules, criteria, and/or requirements contained herein when using a personal technology device at school. They further understand that if the law or District policy is violated, the device may be searched by authorized personnel and/or law enforcement and may result in the loss of BYOD privileges in DJUSD as well as any and all applicable disciplinary action.

1. Students bringing PTDs to school must follow: all applicable California laws, DJUSD Policies, including but not limited to Board Policy 5131 and Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6163.4; DJUSD Standards for Student Behavior, the Student Responsible Use of Technology Agreement, and the criteria set forth in this Agreement. In addition, students will be expected to comply with all applicable teacher, class, and school rules, policies and procedures while using personal technology devices.

2. PTDs are only to be used for educational purposes at the direction of a classroom teacher.

3. Any DJUSD staff member has the right to prohibit use of devices at any time, inside and outside of the classroom. Students must comply with all staff requests regarding technology, such as shutting down, closing screen, storing, etc.

4. Internet access is filtered by the District on personal technology devices in the same manner as District-owned equipment. If Internet access is needed, connection to the filtered, guest wireless network provided by the District is required and students must not bypass or attempt to bypass it. Devices may not be plugged into the wired network.

5. DJUSD shall not be liable for any loss or damages resulting from the loss of data as a result of delays, non-deliveries, or service interruptions sustained or incurred in connection with the use, operation, or inability to use the District's system.

6. If a student uses a personal data plan instead of the provided Internet connection, the District will not be responsible for data or messaging charges. In addition, the District shall not be responsible for any data or messaging charges incurred by students when completing school assignments on PTDs while off District property.

7. Each student is responsible for his/her own device including set-up, maintenance, charging, and security; District staff will not diagnose, repair, or work on a student's PTD.

8. Technology devices have educational and monetary value. Students are prohibited from trading, buying, or selling these items on District property.

9. Students will not monopolize or disrupt the resources of the DJUSD network including, but not limited to: online gaming or video not associated with directed instructional activities; using a computer to host games, videos, files, etc. accessed from the network; setting up hotspots; network use intended to deny service to a computer, service, or network; or attempts to gain unauthorized access to network service and management devices.

10. PTDs should be charged prior to school and run on battery power while at school. Students should not have the expectation that DJUSD will provide access to charging stations/facilities or storage of personal devices while on campus.

11. Site staff will determine and administer consequences for PTD misuse according to the Guidelines for Responsive Discipline for elementary and secondary schools.

12. Students shall not have access to District printers from their PTDs and shall not print anything from their PTD unless specifically authorized by their teacher as part of an instructional activity.

Additional Parameters for Bringing Personal Devices to School:

No Expectation of Privacy

- DJUSD may monitor and review files and communications, without notice to the student, to maintain system integrity and ensure that users are using the system responsibly. The District's system and network are not private means of communication or data gathering, students do not have an expectation of privacy in anything they create, store, delete, send or receive on the district systems and/or network.
- DJUSD may collect and examine any PTD on campus that it has reasonable suspicion to believe has been used to commit or facilitate conduct that violates the law, District policies, rules, regulations, or student conduct guidelines, including but not limited to, cyberbullying, hacking, or cracking.
- DJUSD may collect and examine any PTD on campus that is has reasonable suspicion to believe is the source of a computer virus or other malware infection or of hacking attacks.

Cyber Ethics

- Students shall not view, create, publish, submit or display any materials/media that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal. Students must report any instances of the above they encounter while using a PTD at school or on the school's network.
- Students shall not harass or bully another person. Cyberbullying is prohibited by state law and District policy.
- Students shall not use devices to record, transmit, or post photographic images, sound, or video of a person or persons on campus during school activities and/or hours, unless otherwise directed by a teacher for a specific educational purpose.
- Students shall not use devices to engage in any illegal activity, including but not limited to: peer to peer file sharing, hacking, or cracking the District's or another network.
- The District cannot guarantee that its filters will prevent the viewing of all objectionable materials. Students who inadvertently access such objectionable material must inform a responsible adult of the offending website so that the District may take measures to prevent future access to such sites.

By signing the Summary Signature Form located at www.djUSD.net/registration, I have read, understand, shared with my student and acknowledge receipt of this Responsible Use Agreement.