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BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE POLICY (B.Y.O.D.) CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONICS

Student use of office telephones is restricted to emergency situations, or if a student is ill and desires to call a parent for a ride home. Except for last minute cancellations of after-school activities, students will generally not be permitted to use a school phone after hours. It is important for students to remember to arrange for transportation home in advance, if they plan to remain after school. Please be aware that if your child calls from school, regardless of the room they call from, it will appear as the main Renton Junior High number (734) 782.2483, therefore office staff may not know where the call originated from.

Introduction: The availability of wireless Internet access and cloud based services in our schools makes it easier than ever for students to bring their own internet connected technology devices to school for educational purposes. In order to access the Huron Schools' wireless network, students must comply with the Huron Schools Technology Agreement and this BYOD Policy. It is important to understand that the opportunity to bring students' personal technology devices to school is a privilege and is solely at the discretion of Huron Schools' staff.

Device: For the purpose of the BYOD policy, a personal technology device is a portable, privately-owned, wireless electronic device such as a tablet, smartphone, or iPod.

Internet: Student devices may only access the Internet using the District wireless network. Use of 3G or 4G (or similar) wireless connections is not allowed.

Security and Damages: The individual owner is responsible for the security and safety of the device. Students possessing cellular phones and other electronic devices in school do so at their own risk. Huron Schools and its employees are not liable for any device brought to any facility within the district. Individuals are encouraged to utilize security methods to protect their own devices. The District will not investigate the theft of, or damage to, a personal device.

With the Bring Your Own Device Policy, student use of cellular telephones and other electronic devices is limited to the discretion of the classroom teacher, during the hours that school is in session. Students are allowed to use their electronic devices with permission of the teacher only. Students may possess their cellular telephone while school is in session, provided that said phones are kept out of sight (in a bag or pocket, so that it is not visible) and the ringer is turned off.

Cellular phones may be used before 7:30 A.M. Cell phones may **not be used in the hallways between classes.**

Students who use their cell phone or electronic device without the permission of a teacher, or who are using their device in an inappropriate manner, will have their devices confiscated and will be subject to consequences.

Possession of a cellular telephone or other electronic device by a student is a privilege. Such devices will be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, according to the following procedures:

- **First offense:** The device is confiscated by school personnel and will be returned to the student at the end of the school day, at which time a review of the policy requirements will be conducted.
- **Second offense:** The device is confiscated by school personnel and the parent/guardian is required to pick it up from school, at which time a review of the policy requirements will be conducted.
- **Third offense:** The device is confiscated by school personnel and the parent/guardian is required to pick it up from school. Students will be assigned one day to Positive Pathways (ISS).
- **Fourth offense:** The device is confiscated by school personnel, and the parent/guardian is required to pick it up from school. Student will be suspended from school on a Step 4: Insubordination, under the Student Code of Conduct. Student forfeits the privilege of possessing a cell phone in school for the balance of the school year.

In order to respect the privacy of our students Cell phones/Electronic Devices are not permitted in bathrooms, or locker rooms. Phones/electronic devices in these areas will be immediately confiscated and will only be returned to a parent, in accordance with the following policy: Students have no reasonable expectation of privacy, of the contents of any device confiscated, as a result of violation of this policy where school officials have reasonable suspicion that the student has violated a school rule or law.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE RULES

In order for an individual to bring his/her personal technology to a Huron Schools' facility, the Technology Agreement and the following BYOD terms must be understood, agreed and adhered to:

- Devices must be placed in silent mode while on school campuses and buses.
- Devices may not be used to plagiarize or cheat.
- Devices may not be used to record, transmit, or post photographic images or videos of a person or persons on school property without prior approval by a staff member.
- Students are not to call, text message, email, or electronically communicate with others from their personal device, including other students, parents, guardians, friends, and family during the school day.
- Devices must not be used to transmit content of a bullying nature.
- Devices must not be used to send messages that violate federal, state, and local laws or any School Board policy.
- The school's network filters must be applied and may not be bypassed.
- Infecting any Huron Schools property with a virus or program that damages, alters, destroys, or provides access to unauthorized data/information is a violation of the Technology Agreement. This includes bypassing network security policies.
- The school reserves the right to inspect a student's personal device if there is reason to believe that the student has violated Board policies, administrative procedures or school rules or has engaged in other misconduct while using their personal device.
- Games are not permitted without teacher permission.
- Access to school printers is unavailable.
- Devices must be charged prior to coming to school.
- Using any device at unauthorized times may result in the loss of privileges.

*any violation of BYOD rules will result in a consequence deemed appropriate by administration.

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(date)

(parent signature)

(print student name)

(date)

(print parent name)