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## The Pine Hollow MS BYOD initiative supports and enhances educational opportunities to meet academic needs, connects resources and people, inspires innovation, and promotes digital citizenship in a global society.

FAQ:

- Are students required/expected to bring their own device? *No, BYOD is totally optional. PH has enough devices without BYOD to meet the district expectation of 3:1.*
- If I do not want my child to participate, what should I do? *Nothing is required if you do not want your child to bring his/her device to school. Only those who opt in will be allowed to use their personal devices at school.*
- If I choose to participate, what type of device do you recommend? As long as the device can access the internet, any device is acceptable.
- Which type of phone, Apple or Android, would be best? *Either will work fine as long as it is internet accessible.*
- How will you keep my child's device secure? It is the student's responsibility to keep up with his/her device. The school assumes no responsibility for student devices.
- Are students allowed to share devices? *No, students will not be allowed to use other students' devices. PH has a 3:1 ratio of students to devices without BYOD.*
- Will BYOD use the data on my child's device? *No, students will only be permitted to use their personal device while on our BYOD Wi-Fi network which will not use any on your wireless plan.*
- What safety provisions are in place to keep my child safe on the internet? The BYOD Wi-Fi network has filters to restrict access to inappropriate websites. Our staff will also instruct students as to the safe and appropriate use of devices and the internet.
- What if my child leaves their device at home? In these situations the student will use a PH device. The main office will not accept student devices dropped off during the school day.
- Besides a device, what else might I want to consider providing for my child? *Earbuds or earphones would be appropriate if you do not want your child to use school-owned earphones.*
- Will teachers help my student use/set-up their device? *Teachers will ensure students are taught how to log-on to the BYOD Wi-Fi network, but teachers will not hold/touch student devices in order to troubleshoot or fix problems with the device. The only time a teacher would handle a student device would be in an instance in which the device was confiscated due to inappropriate use.*
- Is there any time during the day when my student will be able to communicate with me using their personal device? *Students who opt to participate in BYOD will be permitted to use their device in the cafeteria during lunch once they have taken a seat. Before leaving the cafeteria the device must be turned off and put away. This is the only time during the school day (8:15-3) that students are permitted to use their device without teacher permission. Using devices in the cafeteria during lunch is a privilege, not a right, and this privilege can be suspended/revoked if the need arises.*



## **Pine Hollow BYOD Contract**

Student Name:	Student Initials	Parent Initials
Students take <u>full responsibility</u> for their devices. Personal technology should not be left on campus before or after school hours. Devices will not be accepted at the front office if forgotten at home. <u>Pine Hollow Middle School's administration, teachers and/or staff are not liable</u> for any device that is lost, stolen, or damaged.		
Students will utilize their devices to enhance instructional activities. Students are expected to use devices at school <u>for educational purposes only.</u> Students will <u>only</u> access files or Internet sites relevant to the classroom activity. Students must <u>immediately</u> comply with an adult's request to shut down, put away, or show the screen of their device.		
Students are expected to <u>respect and protect the privacy</u> of others. While on campus, students are not permitted to capture, transmit, or post photographs or videos without teacher permission.		
From 8:15am-3:00pm, students are not permitted to use personal devices without teacher permission. This includes transition times in the hallways.		
(The only exception is during lunch time. Students are allowed to use their devices while seated but they must be turned off and put away before leaving the cafeteria. This privilege might be suspended/revoked if necessary)		
Students are <b><u>never</u></b> permitted to use personal devices in restrooms or locker rooms.		
Students who bring a device to school are responsible for ensuring their device is charged at the beginning of each school day. Teacher permission is required in order for students to recharge a device at school.		
Students are prohibited from transmitting any program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information.		
Student devices are not permitted to print to school printers.		
Students are prohibited from using or touching any student's device other than their own.		
Students are expected to follow the Wake County Public School System Student Code of Conduct (Board Policy 6410) and the Student Acceptable Use of Electronic Resources policy (BP 6446) at all times.		
Devices will be connected to the WAKE-BYOD Wi-Fi network at all times. Using any other network while at school is not permitted.		
Devices are the sole responsibility of the students. Technical support is the responsibility of the students and parents.		
Students who violate this contract are subject to have their BYOD privileges suspended or revoked.		

Student Signature



Parent Signature