

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

9th through 12th Grade Students

The user Agreement for the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program at Trinity Christian Academy will require students in grades 9th through 12th to use personal digital learning devices in school for educational purposes. Students must agree to and follow the TCA Acceptable Use Guidelines (see handbook) as well as the following guidelines.

Acceptable Device Types:

For the purpose of educational enrichment, approved privately owned portable devices to be used in the classroom include, laptops, iPads, tablets, etc. Cell phones are not an acceptable device for educational purposes.

Guidelines:

1. During the school day, students should use their device(s) for educational purposes only.
2. The student takes full responsibility for his or her device and keeps it with himself/herself at all times. The school is not responsible for the security of devices. TCA is not liable for any device stolen or damaged at school.
3. The student is responsible for proper care, maintenance, modifications, and repair of devices. Neither the school nor its employees will modify, maintain, troubleshoot or repair devices.
4. The school reserves the right to inspect a user's personal device if there is reason to believe that the student has violated AUG or this agreement, school rules, etc., or has engaged in other misconduct while using their personal device.
5. Students must comply with a teacher or administrator's request to close, cease using or shutdown the device.
6. Devices shall be charged prior to being brought to school and shall be capable of running off their own battery while at school. The school will not provide chargers, power strips, etc. for charging.
7. TCA will provide wireless connectivity and while every effort is made to provide secure network access TCA can offer no guarantee that privacy can/will be protected when using this wireless connection. Use of the TCA wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user, and TCA is not responsible for any loss of information that may arise, injury or damages resulting in the use of the wireless connection.
8. Students must use the TCA wireless network with their devices. Internet filtering is a requirement of all schools and while every effort is made to filter inappropriate content, there is always a risk that unwanted content will make it through the filters.
9. Use of Smartphones for making phone calls or texts will only be allowed before and after school. Personal phones should be kept in students' lockers or automobiles and may only be brought to class when the teacher specifically asks for phones to be used.

10. Students may not use devices to record, transmit or post photos or videos of a person or persons on campus. Nor can any images or video recorded at school be transmitted or posted at any time without express permission of an administrator.

Violations and Consequences:

TCA supports the positive use of technology for the purpose of enhancing and supporting learning. It is expected that users will comply with BYOD rules, act in a responsible manner, and honor the terms and conditions set by classroom teachers and administration.

Failure to comply with such terms and conditions may result in temporary or permanent loss of access to electronic devices as well as other disciplinary or legal action as necessary. This may include: 1. A Class D 2. Loss of privilege 3. Detention and 4. Suspension or expulsion.

I accept and agree to abide by the BYOD rules and guidelines of Trinity Christian Academy.

Student Printed Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____