



BYOD Policy for Boherbue Comprehensive School

Introduction:

Boherbue Comprehensive School recognizes the value and educational benefits of students using their own personal devices in the classroom. In order to ensure a safe and productive learning environment, the school has implemented the following Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy.

Policy:

- Students may be permitted to use their own personal devices in school, including but not limited to laptops, tablets, and smartphones for educational purposes only. They must first complete and return a Student - *Bring Your Own Device Application Form* to a designated member of staff.
- Devices must be used in a responsible and appropriate manner, in accordance with school Policies. Further clarification in relation to use of Mobile phones are given in the school rules.
- Students are responsible for the security and safekeeping of their own devices. The school will not be held responsible for any loss or damage to personal devices.
- Students are responsible for ensuring their device is fully charged before bringing it to school.
- Students must adhere to all copyright laws when using their devices and must not download or share any unauthorized or illegal materials.
- Students must use their devices in a way that does not disrupt the learning environment, and must not use their devices for any form of bullying or harassment.
- The school reserves the right to inspect and monitor students' devices if there is reason to believe that the device is being used in violation of school policies.
- Any student deemed to be using a mobile device inappropriately may have that device confiscated by school authorities and be sanctioned in line with the school's code of behavior and Internet Acceptable Usage Policy.
- School management has the right to block any device from the school's wireless network

School Policies

This BYOD Policy operates in conjunction with all other School Policies including the Internet Acceptable Usage Policy (AUP), Mobile Devices Policy, Child Protection Policy and Data Protection Policy which are available on the school website.

This Policy was ratified by the Board of Management on 20th April 2023

Signed:

(Chairperson, Board of Management)