

Walton-Verona Elementary Technology Use – B.Y.O.D.

Policy 8.1

Responsible Use Guidelines

Introduction

Walton-Verona Elementary School recognizes that our information-based world is becoming increasingly complex and students who are skilled in creativity, critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and information technologies are better prepared to be successful citizens in the global community. Just as new technologies are changing the world in which we live, they are providing new and positive educational benefits that help students develop these skills

Walton-Verona Elementary School provides every 3rd and 4th grade student with a device available to them during the school day. Kindergarten through 2nd-grade students have access to devices in their classrooms, albeit not at a 1:1 ratio. Even with this in place, the school will allow personal technology devices to be brought onto the campus and onto our network. Students bringing such personal devices to school must follow all Kentucky law, Walton-Verona Independent Schools policies, the Acceptable Use Policy, and the guidelines set forth in this document. In addition to the rules outlined in these guidelines, students will be expected to comply with all class and school policies and procedures while using personal devices.

Definition of Personal Technology Device

A personal technology device (PTD) is any privately-owned technology device that includes, but is not limited to: laptops, eReaders, iPads, iPods, tablet devices, or other current or emerging devices (this includes Smart Watches) that can be used for word processing, wireless or wired Internet access, recording of images/sound, email, messaging, phone calls, etc. Cell/Smart phones and Smart Watches **can be used in class for educational purposes but only with the permission of the teacher in charge.** **Students are not allowed to use devices for communication purposes without teacher approval. All other issues with cell/smart phones/smart watches are outlined in the Code of Conduct and the District's Technology Acceptable Use Policy.**