



# PERSONALLY-OWNED ELECTRONIC DEVICES (BYOD) POLICY

## Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the acceptable use of personally owned mobile devices by students on school premises and while connected to Bonneville Academy's networks or accessing school information systems. This policy helps ensure student safety, responsible digital citizenship, and data security in accordance with USBE Rule R277-487 and Utah Code §53E-9-302.

## Scope

This policy applies to any personally owned mobile computing device used on Bonneville Academy property or that interacts with the school's network or digital resources. Student use of such devices is allowed only when approved by a teacher or school administrator and must be for instructional purposes.

## Policy

- Students and their families are solely responsible for the content, functionality, and security of personally owned devices. Bonneville Academy assumes no responsibility for loss, theft, or damage.
- The school does not provide technical support for personally owned devices.
- When LEA data is stored or accessed on personally owned devices, those devices may be subject to Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA) requests.
- Bonneville Academy is not liable for any damage caused to the device, its software, or operating system due to network or information system access.
- Use of personal devices is at the discretion of teachers and school administration and may be revoked at any time.
- Phone calls, text messaging, and emailing are not allowed during school hours unless explicitly approved for educational purposes.





- Personally owned devices, including those with cameras, may not be activated or used in locations with a reasonable expectation of personal privacy (e.g., restrooms, locker rooms, changing areas).
- Students may not use personal devices to harass, intimidate, threaten, embarrass, or harm others in any way.
- Unauthorized or misused devices may be confiscated and returned at the end of the school day or when retrieved by a parent or guardian. After three violations or in cases of serious misuse, the student's BYOD privileges will be revoked. Reinstatement requires administrative approval.
- All use of personally owned electronic devices is subject to the rules and expectations set forth in the school's Electronic Information Resources Policy.
- Students are expected to follow digital citizenship principles and use technology in a respectful and academically appropriate manner.

## Legal References

- USBE Rule R277-487: Data Governance and Privacy
- Utah Code §53E-9-302: Student Data Protection Act
- FERPA: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. §1232g)
- GRAMA: Government Records Access and Management Act

