



# East End School District

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## BYOD

### Bring Your Own Device

The East End School District will be initiating BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in the 2013-2014 school year. Students will have the opportunity to bring their own electronic devices to use for educational purposes. It is not required that students bring their own devices, and all students will have access to technology for lessons and assignments that require it.

As with any electronic device, there are many options available. There are pros and cons with each device available, and the district does not want to "push" or recommend any single product. The most effective electronic device is not the one with the most options but rather one that the students are most comfortable with and can use effectively.

If you choose to allow your child to participate in the East End School District's BYOD program, you may be interested in buying a device for his or her use. Here you will find detailed information on devices that will work with the school's program.

#### ***What will my child be using a handheld device for in school?***

There are many uses for devices at every level of education. For example, a student in elementary school can use a handheld device to practice handwriting, study with flash cards, or work on math. A middle school student will use his or her device to check E-mail, create journal entries, read books, or use the camera for special projects. A student in high school will conduct research, track data, learn how to use the cloud for storage, or create video documentaries. All students will be using the device for educational purposes. Please contact your child's teacher for specific uses in the classroom.

#### ***What types of devices are available?***

The devices on the market are ever-changing, and technology is constantly being updated. Right now, three types of operating systems are available on handheld devices. These include Apple's iOS system, Android, and Windows 8. There are many options for parents and students. Some ideas are listed on the following pages.



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## **B Y O D**

### **Guidelines**

- Students are responsible for their own devices. It is the student's responsibility to keep up with the device to ensure theft does not occur.
- Use of the student device during the school day must be with teacher approval and academic use.
- Students are NOT required to bring their own device.
- If a lesson requires the use of a device, the school will provide one for those students who do not have one. This could be done in a computer lab.
- The school does not provide technical assistance for student-owned devices. It is the student's responsibility to keep them functional.
- It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the device is fully charged prior to arriving at school.
- It is the teacher's discretion on whether electronic devices will be allowed on individual lessons or activities.
- Any refusal for a student to put his or her device away could result in insubordination.
- A technology usage agreement form would need to be signed and returned before the student could access the student network.
- The student network would be filtered and monitored.



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## **B Y O D** **Guidelines**

- Students are responsible for all sites visited and content from their device or while using any electronic device. Inappropriate use such as bullying, inappropriate sites, etc... could result in the student no longer having access to technology while at school, notification to law enforcement, school disciplinary measures ranging from verbal reprimand to expulsion.
- Students would be allowed to use headphones when approved by the teacher.
- No photos, video, or audio recording is permitted without the permission of a teacher and only during academic lessons.
- Students may be able to use their devices before school, after school, during lunch, and any other times with approval from school personnel.
- Students will only be able to print through a printer in the computer labs using lab computers.
- Students should only use their own device unless working on a teacher – approved group lesson that requires multiple users.



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## Android Devices

*Android devices support Adobe Flash, a product that allows viewing of video, animations, games, and 3D graphics on mobile devices and computers. If you are considering purchasing an Android device for your child, please ensure that the operating system is version 2.2 or newer. Android apps are purchased and downloaded through the Google play store, which currently offers nearly 750,000 apps. Acceptable devices include tablets and cell phones.*



Android Phone



Android Tablet

Android devices are available at many retailers and prices will vary. Some brands include:

Acer	Samsung
Sony	Lenovo
LG	Motorola
Asus	Toshiba



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## Apple Devices iOS

Apple has many different devices available. It is recommended that you update your device regularly.



*Apple apps are downloaded and purchased through iTunes, which currently offers more than 800,000 apps.*



### iPad and iPad mini

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> generations as well as future generations



### iPhone

3GS, 4, 4S, 5, and future generations



### iPod Touch





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## Windows Tablet



## Windows Phone



Windows tablet brands include:

Asus

Dell

HP

Microsoft

Windows phones are available through several brands including:

Nokia

HTC

Huawei

**The Windows store currently has over 145,000 available apps.**