BYOD policy

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy at AKAIS School

In our endeavor to be in "top and top " and staying true to the core values of "Critical Thinking", "Future Ready" and "Innovation",

The UAE Vision 2021 clearly challenges us to address a "complete transformation of the current education system and teaching methods. The National Agenda aims for all schools, universities and students to be equipped with Smart systems and devices as a basis for all teaching methods, projects and research".

Never has this challenge been more pertinent than in the current times of Covid-19

provide tools and resources to the 21st Century Learner. Excellence in education requires that technology is seamlessly integrated throughout the educational program. Increasing access to technology is essential for that future. The BYOD policy is a way to empower students to maximize their full potential

Technology is an integral part of life, and this is no less true in education. we are dedicated to a learning environment that gives access to appropriate technology in order

to enhance learning, unlock potential and connect students locally and globally.

Learning results will improve from the continuous dynamic interaction among students, educators, parents and the extended community. Technology immersion does not diminish the vital role of the teacher. To the contrary, it transforms the teacher from a director of learning to a facilitator of learning. Effective teaching and learning with wireless technology tools integrate technology into the curriculum anytime, anyplace.

The policies, procedures and information within this document apply to all wireless mobile devices used at AKAIS Schools, including any other device considered by the IT Admin to come under this policy. Teachers may set additional requirements for use in their classroom.

We already use a variety of technology, software and tools to support outstanding opportunities and use technology effectively and efficiently, the school will implement a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

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BYOD includes all Mobile devices and any wearable technology

BYOD, while not school property, also fall under the Acceptable Use Policy whilst on school property or whilst on school related activities. However, the school is not responsible for the repairs, loss or theft or any damage resulting from their use on school property or during school related activities. Improper use of BYOD will lead to immediate confiscation and permanent denied access to the school Wi-Fi network. The devices will only be returned the parents or legal guardians of the student owning the device.

➤ Be safe online. Never give out personal information, including, but not limited to, last names, phone numbers, addresses, exact birthdates, and pictures. Do not share your password with anyone besides your teachers and parents.

➤ Do not use other people's intellectual property without their permission. It is a violation of copyright law to copy and paste other's thoughts. When paraphrasing another's idea(s) be sure to cite your source with the URL. It is good practice to hyperlink to your sources.

Using Mobile and BYOD devices at School

Mobile devices and BYOD devices are intended for use at school each day. In addition to teacher expectations for Mobile device and BYOD use, school messages, announcements, calendars and schedules may be accessed using the mobile device and BYOD. The mobile device or BYOD cannot be used unless a teacher has given permission for its use.

Screensavers/Background   photos/Apps

The screensaver or background photo may not be changed for any reason on any school mobile devices. Any changes to the display of the school mobile device will be deemed a violation of this policy. . Inappropriate material or photos are not to be stored on school or BYOD. BYOD containing material considered inappropriate by the school will be confiscated and returned only to a responsible adult. The device may not be brought to school until the offending material/Apps are removed.

Sound, Music, Games, or Programs

➤ Sound must be muted at all times unless permission is obtained from the teacher for instructional

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purposes.

➢ Music and education Games on the mobile devices are allowed at the discretion of the teacher.

Acceptable Use

The use of School technology resource is a privilege, not a right. This policy is provided to make all users aware of the responsibilities associated with efficient, ethical, and lawful use of technology resources. If a person violates any of the User Terms and Conditions named in this policy, privileges will be terminated,access to the school's technology resources will be denied, BYOD devices will be denied access to the school's network and WiFi facilities and the appropriate disciplinary action shall be applied. The School code of conduct
/ behaviour policy shall be applied to student infractions.

Students are Responsible for:

➢ Using computers/mobile devices in a responsible and ethical manner.

➢ Obeying general school rules concerning behaviour and communication that apply to Technology

➢ equipment use.

➢ Using all technology resources in an appropriate manner so as to not damage . This "damage" includes, is , the

   loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, mis- deliveries or service interruptions caused by the students

   own negligence, errors or omissions.

➢ Use of any information obtained via the school's designated Internet System is at your own risk.

➢ Helping the school protect our computer system/device by contacting an administrator about any security

   problems they may encounter.

➢ Monitoring all activity on their account(s).

➢ Students should always turn off and secure the mobile device and BYOD devices after they are done working

   to protect their work and information.

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➢ If a student should receive an email containing inappropriate or abusive language or if the subject matter is questionable, he/she is call social worker or teacher direct ot IT admin .

➢ Ensuring all BYOD devices are fully charged at the start of the school day.

➢ Their BYOD device is brought to school each day unless otherwise informed.

➢ Ensure their BYOD device has the Apps/software installed as requested by the school and maintain software upgrades.

Student Activities Strictly Prohibited:

➢ Students must not take pictures or movies of students who have not given their permission to do so

➢ Any action that violates existing school policy or public law

➢ Sending, accessing, uploading, downloading, or distributing offensive, profane, threatening,

➢ pornographic, obscene, religious or sexually explicit materials

➢ Use of chat rooms, sites selling term papers, book reports and other forms of student work

➢ Internet/Computer Games without permission of the school.

➢ Changing of school mobile device settings (exceptions include personal settings such as font size, brightness, etc)

➢ Downloading apps at school unless supervised by the teacher and parental consent.

➢ Spamming-Sending mass or inappropriate emails

➢ Gaining access to other student's accounts, files, and/or data

➢ Use of the school's internet/E-mail accounts for financial or commercial gain or for any illegal activity

➢ Students are not allowed to give out personal information, for any reason, over the Internet.

➢ Participation in credit card fraud, electronic forgery or other forms of illegal behaviour.

➢ Vandalism (any malicious attempt to harm or destroy hardware, software or data, including, but not

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➢ limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses or computer programs that can infiltrate

➢ computer systems and/or damage software components) of school equipment will not be allowed

➢ Bypassing the School web filter through a VPN proxy.

➢ Illegal installation or transmission of copyrighted materials

➢ Social Network access is not permitted

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