Maury County Public Schools

Student Personal Technology Device Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

Please read the following carefully before signing this document.

I understand that, as a technology user, I am responsible for my actions and that I am responsible to act considerately and appropriately in accordance with the guidelines set forth in this document.

The Maury County School System provisionally offers a guest wireless network for educational purposes only. It will provide the same filtered Internet service that school computers currently use. The guest wireless network is for school system staff and students. It is not available for outside users. This network offering is a privilege which the system grants to students willing to assume the responsibility of abiding by the guidelines set forth in this document. This is an addendum to the Student’s signed Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), which is on file with schools administration, and does not replace that document in any way. All policies set in place in the Student AUP continue to apply when the student uses his/her personal technology device on school property.

Personal technology devices brought on school property and used during the school day will be monitored while on the school network and subject to search by teacher, administrator or technology staff at any time. The Maury County Department of Education (BOE) does not guarantee the privacy or security of any item stored on or transmitted by any personal technology device. If found in violation of AUP policy, the BOE Technology Department reserves the right to review Internet usage and access data files, stored data, email, and other communications utilizing the BOE wireless network.

Students must register personal technology devices used on school property during school hours with the technology department prior to connection to the BOE guest wireless network. MAC addresses of equipment will be logged for each device. All laptops and netbook type of devices will be checked for approved anti-virus, anti-malware, and anti-spyware protection. Such devices will also have a user-monitoring component installed by the technology department or designated staff for use only while the device is on BOE wireless network. BOE takes no responsibility for any issues that result from required software installations. As technology develops, the requirement for similar types of software may be required on other types of devices and is subject to change.

Items that are considered personal technology devices (PTD) include but not limited to:

- Laptops
- Netbooks
- iPad / iPods
- Smartphone
- Tablets
- Kindles / Nook / or other similar device

Guidelines:

Personal technology devices (PTD) may only be used in the classroom with the express approval of the teacher. All audio/video functions must be disabled and may not be used on school property without explicit teacher approval. Teachers have the right to refuse to allow PTDs. Personal technology device use may in no way disrupt or distract from the learning environment.
The Maury County Department of Education assumes no responsibility or financial liability for any damage the student may incur, including but not limited to theft, physical damage, and loss of data or software malfunctions of personal technology device.

Students may not use their devices outside the classroom unless for organized educational purposes while on Maury County Schools wireless network.

PTDs must come to school fully charged and may not be connected to school property outlets.

PTDs cannot be used for personal games, media streaming, social networking, video conferencing or other forms of entertainment. Use of these devices is only for educational purposes.

PTDs are not allowed to access the Maury County Schools regular network in any way.

Students are not allowed to use peer-to-peer software, file sharing programs, telnet or messenger programs as well as other resource intensive applications.

Students must login to the wireless network with a wireless access key or other personally assigned credentials. Students are expected to safeguard their network credentials and not share with others. Students will notify a teacher or administrator immediately if they believe their student connection credentials have been compromised. Allowing others to use their credentials or using the credentials of others, with or without the account owner’s authorization, is strictly prohibited.

PTDs shall not impair the security of the guest wireless network. This expectation includes but is not limited to:

- Students are expected to maintain up to date anti-virus, anti-malware and anti-spyware protection on all devices that are connected to the network. Devices without up to date security programs may be denied access to the network.

- Students shall use only the BOE guest wireless network while on school property to access the Internet with their device. Utilizing your own cellular data plan or broadband service is strictly prohibited.

Student may not create unauthorized wireless networks to access the BOE guest network. This includes establishing wireless access points, wireless routers, and open networks on personal devices.

Students are responsible for setting up and maintaining their devices. The district will not provide technology support for these devices.

Teachers will not store student devices at any time nor will any school staff member repair or work on a personal device.

Students should not intentionally interfere with the performance of the wireless network and/or the district’s overall network.

The BOE guest wireless network will not provide print services or district instructional software that is not web-based outside the network.
Parents/Guardians can be held accountable for any damage to any network caused by student personal device or student actions.

Teacher Expectations:

Teachers can establish their own classroom student device use policies.

Teachers can request that the student close the screen while the teacher is talking or anytime the teacher deems necessary.

If a teacher allows student device usage, the teacher must monitor the student access.

Teachers can search devices and report any inappropriate use to administrators.

I understand that any violation of this agreement and any additional school or classroom guidelines may result in **disciplinary action as per Policy 6.300** which may include loss of access to the guest wireless network or all Internet access.

Student Name: ____________________________________________
(Please Print)
Student Signature: __________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ____________________________________________
(Please Print)
Parent/Guardian Signature ____________________________________ Date _______________