

CMS Pilot School

What does it mean for Washam?

Bring Your Own Technology is a CMS initiative to allow students to use their own technology at specified times during the day to enhance the learning experience.

We will begin the BYOT process with our 5th grade students and use a well thought-out process of implementation to ensure success. We will then move to other grades as the infrastructure allows.

Learning will look the same but with technology. **Technology should always be at the service of teaching.** The power of integrating technology into the classroom is the power it has to redefine the relationships in the classroom and reorient them toward a more student-centered approach to learning along with real-world, authentic connections.

Unacceptable use WILL BE dealt with accordingly based on our school's discipline process and digital citizenship expectations. This should not be considered different than any other infraction, as this is a behavior not the technology.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Will there be a permission form that needs to be signed before a student brings a personal device to school?

There is no district special-permission form to be signed. Students have already signed an Acceptable Use Agreement and the Code of Conduct.

- Who is responsible for security of the device? How will theft, loss, or damage of a personally-owned device be handled in a school?

Guidelines for the BYOT program specifically address the risk of students bringing their own devices to school. The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged devices. The student, not the teacher, is in charge of the student's device.

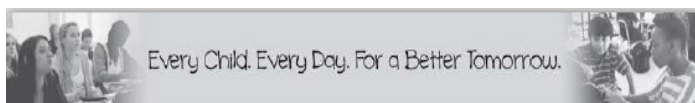
- When will my students use the device?

The teacher is in charge of classroom procedures, including internet access. Although access is available, it is not guaranteed for every classroom situation. The teacher will let the students know when they can use the device. Students can use the devices for reading, research, note taking etc.

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Our Rules

- Students cannot download apps while at school
- Students cannot charge devices during the day
- Students are responsible for their device
- Use only BYOT wifi networks and not 3 or 4G
- Use devices for learning
- Make good choices



Our Vision

Our goals at JV Washam Elementary School are to teach and prepare the staff and students for the importance of technology in their lives, how to effectively use technology tools and redefine how a school classroom works. The use of technology must not be a supplement to our curriculum but instead allow a new way of viewing student learning. Our goal will be to prepare our students to be able to be:

- Risk takers
- Collaborators
- Self-directed learners
- Flexible in how to use tools
- Create by using video, apps etc.
- Global communicators
- Become authentic writing
- Prepare for life outside of school

What Types of Devices Can Students Bring?

- Laptops/Netbooks
- iPads or other tablets
- iPod Touches
- eReaders
- Smartphones

For more information please check out our BYOT Website <http://jillthompson.cmswiki.wikispaces.net/BYOT>

