

Dear Parents,

# Bring Your Own Device to School

As a creative, forward thinking school we are continually looking for ways to utilize new innovations in education. We are working hard to infuse technology into our lessons as a means to promote student engagement, creativity, and higher order thinking skills.

Many students own a device that allows them to access the Internet and apps such as an iPod, iPad, iPad mini, Kindle...etc. These devices are capable of so much more than just games; we believe that these resources could help improve and enhance learning in school.

A new district wide initiative is allowing students to bring in their own device to support their learning. Internet enabled devices will be set to join our school wireless network which would enable safe, filtered web access in school. We would also use the additional functionality of the device's apps and camera.

If you see the value in allowing your child to bring their own device to school we will do our utmost to keep them safe and will only be used by the owner of the device. I would strongly recommend a sturdy case. With that said, any device brought into school will be "at your own risk" as outlined in our District's Bring Your Own Device Policy and permission slip attached.

Should you choose to allow your child to bring in their own device, below is a list of apps that are free and we would like to be downloaded onto the device prior to bringing it in for use. However, if you have trouble downloading any of the apps, we can do it for you. Again, this is not a HAVE TO. We know many students have their own devices at home and feel that this is a way in which they can use them in school in an appropriate manner to help their learning.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Byrd

Apps to Download. Please do not feel obligated to buy apps- always download the free (lite) version ( I do ☺).

Educreations

American Reading Company Bookshelf (please log in with your child's password and save).

ScotPad

Sumdog

NearPod

Epic



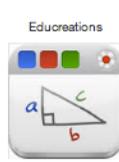
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Skitch



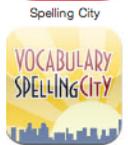
Educreations



Edmodo



Popplet



Spelling City



Brain Pop Jr.



ScholasticTimer



Nearpod



iMovie (S)



Thinglink



Socrative Student



Google Drive



DRAGON



Skitch



Educreations



Dragon Dictation

Book Creator