

Cimarron Middle School

Bring-Your-Own-Technology (BYOT) Policy

Technology plays a large role in our students' lives. Cimarron Middle School recognizes that personal devices can enhance and enrich learning opportunities both at home and at school. Cimarron Middle School is committed to providing equal access for all students and allowing responsible, learning-centered use of technological devices at school to provide multiple pathways to understanding for our students. Personal devices are not required at Cimarron Middle School.

General Information

Access to the Cimarron Middle School wireless network, whether with school-provided or personal devices, is filtered in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). However, access from personal devices is limited to internet use only.

Access to the Cimarron Middle School wireless network is a privilege, not a right. Any use of the wireless network entails personal responsibility and compliance with all school/district rules and acceptable use policies. The use of the Edmond Public Schools' network also allows IT staff to conduct investigations regarding inappropriate internet use at any time, by administrator request.

Guidelines for Use

- Use of personal devices during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff. Students must use devices as directed by their teacher.
- The primary purpose of personal device use at school is educational. Personal use is secondary and at the discretion of the teacher.
- The use of a personal device is not to be a distraction in any way to teachers or students. Personal devices must not disrupt class in any way.
- The use of personal devices falls under Edmond Public Schools' Acceptable Use Policy, found in the student handbook.
- Students will refrain from using personal devices outside of their classroom unless otherwise directed by a staff member.
- Students shall make no attempts to circumvent the school's network security and/or filtering policies.
- Students shall not take/distribute pictures or video of students/staff without their permission (distribution can be as small as emailing/texting to one other person or as large as posting image or video online).
- Students may only use their assigned log in information to access the network. Sharing or falsification of log in information is considered a misuse of wireless access and can result in disciplinary action.

Consequences for Misuse/Disruption

one or more may apply:

- Device taken away for the period
- Device taken away and kept in the front office until parent picks it up
- Student is not allowed to use personal devices at school
- Loss of district network access
- Disciplinary Referral possibly resulting in AISP or suspension

School Liability Statement

Students bring their devices to use at Cimarron Middle School at their own risk. It is their duty to be responsible in the upkeep and protection of their devices.

Cimarron Middle School is in no way responsible for:

- Personal devices that are broken while at school or during school-sponsored activities
- Personal devices that are lost or stolen at school or during school-sponsored activities
- Maintenance or upkeep of any device (keeping it charged, installing updates or upgrades, fixing any software or hardware issues)

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<http://edtechsteve.blogspot.com/2012/03/our-draft-byod-policy.html>