



# BRING-YOUR-OWN-DEVICE AT BISHOP BRADY



Because technology is a necessity of modern academic life, Bishop Brady wants to help prepare students to be effective participants in a global society. Bishop Brady's 1:1 BYOD program has been developed to take advantage of the wide array of digital resources available both on the Internet and via professional applications that can support learning.

**Our program allows students to bring their own mobile electronic devices to school to use only for academic purposes, with instructor direction or permission.**

Laptops and tablets can allow students to access and save information from the internet, collaborate with other learners, and share their work. **Personal devices are to be utilized during the school day for academic purposes only, in the same manner as Bishop Brady networked computers.**



## RECOMMENDED DEVICES: TABLET OR LAPTOP?



Both platforms offer benefits in the classroom. The student's planned use (current and future) and your personal budget will determine which type of device is a good value and the right choice.

**Laptops, the device of choice**, allow users to write papers, research and create graphic products in a more robust manner. If allowed by the instructor, notes can be taken using the keyboard. Cameras are designed for video-conferencing, not regular photos.

**Tablets** include the ability to take notes with a keyboard or with a stylus, though that technology is still evolving. External keyboards are a must for word processing any typed homework or papers. Many tablets have cameras suitable for video-conferencing.

**If you have any questions concerning this decision, please feel free to contact Mrs. Marinace, the Technology Integration Specialist, to discuss your student's needs: [rmmarinace@bishopbrady.edu](mailto:rmmarinace@bishopbrady.edu).**

### MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DEVICES

- 6+ hour battery life (8 is ideal)
- wifi 802.11 a/b/g enabled
- Camera for video-conferencing
- Full-sized keyboard (purchase separately, if buying a tablet)
- 10-inch screen size
- Google Chrome browser
- **Antivirus software**, if applicable (iPads and Chromebooks do not need antivirus software)
- Laptop operating system: Mac OS Snow Leopard 10 or higher, MS Windows 7, 8, 10

***In our freshman technology education program, all students will use their devices to become familiar with:***

- Google Drive and Microsoft Office
- Adobe Photoshop and other Adobe applications
- iMovie
- Sketchup 3D modeling software
- Basic HTML coding
- Internet safety and privacy issues

If you want to:	Do School Work	Programming	Gaming	Graphics	Preloaded Software for School
Chromebook	✓				Google Drive and Chrome Apps
Windows PC	✓	✓	✓	✓	*Free Trial of Office 365 (Movie Maker is no longer supported in Windows 10 but can be downloaded from the Windows Essentials 2012 program suite.)
Macintosh	✓	✓		✓	*Pages *Numbers *Keynote *iMovie

Depending on additional memory or software, your computer may have additional capabilities.

- Kindle tablets and eReaders, though generally useful, **do not fall within the parameters of educational technology.**
- Cell phones are not acceptable devices under the BYOD program.

# CONNECTIVITY ON BISHOP BRADY'S WIRELESS NETWORK

**Bishop Brady provides wireless connectivity as a student service.**

- Students may bring their own mobile electronic device to school. **Only one device per student will be permitted on the network for school use.**
- Content Filtering software and Network security programs along with a Fiber Optic connection have been installed to make the BBHS network fast, secure and reliable.
- All students must register on the school's networked computers first, before registering any device.
- **An anti-virus program must first be installed on ALL laptops, including Apple computers..**
- Bishop Brady users will be prompted to accept terms of use prior to connecting to the BBHS public network.
- Your electronic device will be scanned for updated software.
- Because of licensing limitations, only one device can be registered. If you decide to change a device, please see Mrs. Walsh in the Business Office.

**Some points to keep in mind:**

- Use of the BBHS wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user
- BBHS is not responsible for any loss of information that may arise from the use of the wireless connection, or for any loss, injury, or damages resulting from the use of the wireless connection
- All users of the BBHS wireless network are bound by the School Policy on Technology Use: Personal Electronic Devices (Use in the School), Responsibility for Personal Electronic Devices, Internet Acceptable Use and Guidelines on Social Media

Students who do not accept the terms of service will not be able to access the BBHS wireless network. Once on the BBHS Public network, all users will have filtered Internet access just as they would on an internally connected, BBHS-owned device.

**The mobile electronic device a student brings to school is the sole responsibility of the student.** Bishop Brady assumes no liability and accepts no responsibility for a student's mobile electronic device if it is lost, loaned, damaged or stolen. Only limited resources will be spent to locate lost or stolen items.\*\*\*

- Bishop Brady staff are not responsible for configuring personal devices to access the network
- BYOD participants are prohibited from sharing personal devices, creating "hot spots," and deliberately tampering with school system property or property of others.
- Users should strive to maintain appropriate bandwidth for school-related work and communications
- Students will charge their device each night and take the necessary precautions to "save" battery power during the day

**Students are required to adhere to the School Policy on Technology Use as described in the Student/ Parent Handbook for Personal Electronic Devices, Internet Acceptable Use and Guidelines on Social Media.**

\*\*\***All Apple devices should take advantage of the free "Find My iPhone" app (including laptops and tablets).** When activated, all Apple devices can be locked remotely if lost or stolen, and located if the device connects to the Internet or cell service.

\*\*\* **Some PC Antivirus programs also have anti theft.** Absolute/lojack can be purchased for a monthly fee.

**Bishop Brady embraces the use of educational technology as a means of fulfilling our vision of a Brady Graduate at Graduation to be "engaged in learning" and to explore new ways of gaining knowledge for lives of faith, learning and service.**