

BYOD Policy



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Doha British School BYOD Policy

Doha British School is pleased to offer our students the opportunity to utilise their own devices as part of their learning. We are dedicated to supporting the use of appropriate technology as part of teaching and learning.

We believe that the tremendous value of technology as an educational resource far outweighs the potential disadvantages. However, if parents feel they do not want their child to have internet access during the school day, then they will be responsible for informing the school, in writing.

The school's information technology resources, including email and Internet access, are provided for educational purposes. Adherence to the following policy is necessary for continued access to the school's technological resources:

To participate in the BYOD scheme, student's must

- 1. Bring a tablet or phone that is fit for purpose and has a good battery life and good WIFI connectivity
- 2. Bring a tablet or phone that operates using iOS or Android (*The Google/ Apple operating systems*).
- 3. Activate their school email address on their device
- 4. Have the following applications installed (as well as any additional applications that may be requested at a later stage)
 - a. Google Classroom
 - b. Google Drive
 - c. YouTube Capture
- 5. Only take out their device when instructed to by the class teacher and only for the intended purpose
- 6. All existing rules that apply to mobile devices still apply
 - a. Only to be used with permission
 - b. Not to be taken out during break or lunchtime (even for learning activities as students are unsupervised)
- 7. Register their device with the IT team to gain access to the school WIFI network
- 8. Care for their device and acknowledge that they are responsible for its care and security. The school will accept no liability for student's personal equipment.

Whilst using their own devices, students are still expected to follow all areas of the Doha British School **'Student ICT Acceptable Use Policy'**

Students must respect their own and others safety and privacy by:

- 1. Only assigned school accounts.
- 2. Not distributing private information about others or themselves.
- 3. Only viewing or using data, or networks to which they are authorised.
- 4. Communicating only in ways that are kind and respectful.
- 5. Reporting threatening or discomforting materials to a teacher or administrator.
- 6. Observing all school Internet filters and posted network security practices.
- 7. Reporting security risks or violations to a teacher or network administrator.
- 8. Notifying a teacher or member of the IT team or network malfunctions through the creation of a service request.

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Consequences for Violation

Any violations of the policy will be dealt with following our 'Stages of consequence'. Sanctions may include the loss of a student's access to the school's network and their ability to participate in the BYOD initiative.

Supervision and Monitoring

Students must remember that they are still using the school network and still operating under school rules.

