

Mobile Computing Guide for 2014-2015

# Welcome to Bring Your Own Device at Belmont Central!

For the 2014-15 school year, Belmont Central Elementary School has been selected to pilot Bring Your Own Device at our school by Gaston County Schools. Bring Your Own Device, also called BYOD, allows students to bring many of their own technology devices to school for use in our classrooms. We will now incorporate laptops, netbooks, tablets and iPods for educational purposes only. This guide is designed to communicate the expectations of this new initiative at our school.

Bring Your Own Device is not about which digital tool is used. Rather, it is about the increased connectivity to people, places and things. It matters not which device students use to access information, but it matters that we have provided them both the tools and the instruction for use that they might be productive digital citizens. Creating an engaging digital learning environment ey in accomplishing the mission of our school. Our

ogether we will provide opportunities to be role models who inspire and facilitate the development of diverse students as 21st century learners. Providing this opportunity for students connects them to limitless learning opportunities because they will have access to the most current information on any topic through the Internet and to an online environment where they can communicate, collaborate, create, publish and learn. Teachers will be able to supplement printed resources and provide interactive applications to students like never before.

announcements, calendars and schedules using their Personal Mobile Computing device through their Google account.

# Personal Mobile Computing Devices Left at Home

With expecting students to bring their Personal Mobile Computing device to school for instruction, it is the responsibility of the student to come with his or her device to school when instructed by the teacher. Students who leave their Personal Mobile Computing device at home are still responsible for completing their daily course work.

user. Gaston County Schools retains the rights to any recording and/or publishing of any student or Google Drive.

Students may download fil

responsibility to ensure that his/her work is not lost due to mechanical failure or accidental deletion.

Personal Mobile Computing device malfunctions are not an acceptable excuse for failure to submit work.

## **Network Connectivity**

Gaston County Schools makes no assurance that the network will be operational at all times. In the rare instance that the network may not be operational, the district will not be responsible for lost or missing data.

## APPLICATIONS ON PERSONAL MOBIL F COMPUTING DEVICES

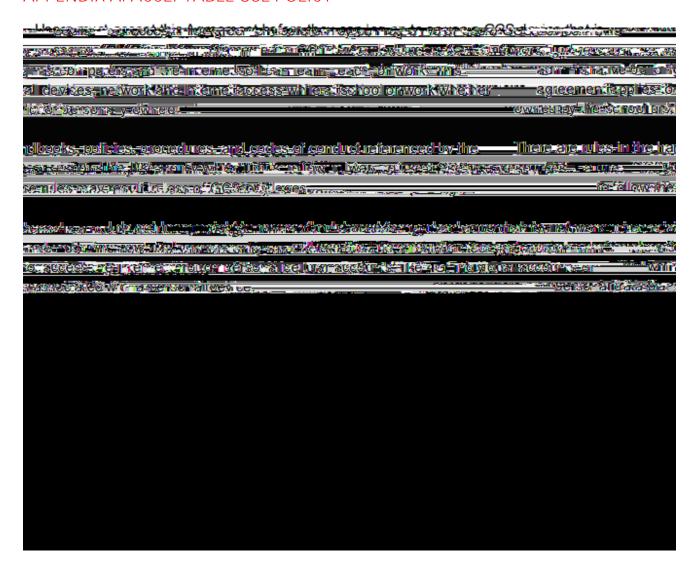
## Personally Installed Applications

With each device being the personal property of the student, we understand that students will have applications downloaded to their Personal Mobile Computing device that are items that align

# Personal Mobile Computing Device Care

Each student is responsible for maintaining his/her Personal Mobile Computing device.

### APPENDIX A: ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY



### APPENDIX B: PERSONAL MOBILE COMPUTING DISCIPLINE PLAN

#### Level 1 Violations

Include but are not limited to: repeated uncharged device, unprepared for class, careless or irresponsible use, off task behavior

1st offense teacher-based discipline 2nd offense teacher-based discipline

3rd offense teacher-based discipline with parent contact

4th offense refer to administration

Examples of teacher-based discipline include:

verbal redirection student/teacher conference restricted use in the classroom alternate assignments teacher assigned detention parent/teacher communication/conference

#### Level 2 Violations

Include but are not limited to: acceptable use policy violations, photographing/filming others without permission or against their will, bullying with the device, harmful or malicious activities, accessing and/or sharing inappropriate websites, materials, videos or photos

Examples of administrator discipline include:

Student/administrator conference Restricted use of device/restricted user In-School Suspension (1-5 days) Out of School Suspension (1-5 days)

Any offense classified as level 2, a major classroom disruption, or criminal conduct will be referred immediately to an administrator and/or the School Resource Officer. The administrator will notify parents and determine discipline. Only an administrator can assign ISS or OSS.

#### Level 3 Violations

Include criminal offenses that require the involvement of law enforcement and may require arrest and/or a recommendation for expulsion.

Possession and use of personal and/or school issued electronic devices on school property acknowledges consent to search the contents of the device in a school or criminal inves. In such investigations, students will provide necessary login information as needed. Misuse of technology outside of school that impacts the people or environment on campus may also necessitate similar disciplinary consequences and searches.

The administration reserves the right to handle any of the above actions or any other action determined to be a misuse of technology in the manner they feel is the most appropriate for all concerned. For additional information on acceptable use of technology, please refer to the GCS Technology Acceptable Use Policy.