

Guntersville City Schools Personal Electronic Device Policy

Purpose:

The purpose of the Guntersville City Schools Personal Electronic Device policy is to facilitate communications and collaboration between members of the Guntersville City Schools community, which includes both staff and students.

Applicability:

This policy applies to any approved Staff or Student electronic device while on Guntersville City Schools' campuses.

Liability:

Students bring personal electronic devices to school at their own risk. The Guntersville City Board of Education, its faculty and staff are not responsible for any damaged, destroyed, lost, missing, or stolen devices. If a student has a personal electronic device and it is damaged, destroyed, lost, or stolen, school officials are not required to investigate the incident, nor will the school system have any financial responsibility for the device charges.

Privileges and Rights:

The use of any approved electronic device by any staff and student is a privilege not a right. All Guntersville City School Board policies concerning Internet/Network, Data Governance, and local school procedures apply regardless if the device is registered.

Expectations for Devices:

- Students may only have 1 device registered on the school system's network.
- The device should only be used at appropriate times for appropriate activities.
- No device at any time should be used as a hotspot on school property.
- Student personal devices should *not* be shared by students at any time.
- Staff can share personal devices only if it has been configured for school use and complies with Data Governance Policies and Procedures.
- Devices with sound capabilities shouldn't disturb the classroom activities when not in use.
- It is the responsibility of ALL students to report any inappropriate use to the teacher.

Data Security:

All students shall be responsible for reporting suspected or actual breaches of data security whether due to inappropriate actions, carelessness, loss/theft of devices or failures of technical security measures.

Guntersville City Schools is not responsible for any data lost on any personal device.



Network Use:

- Any approved electronic device can be registered on the GCS network. Signed agreements must be on file in the Media Specialist Office.
- The Guntersville City Schools Technology Use Policy applies to any device on the GCS campus.

Internet Use:

- Any approved electronic device can access the Internet through the devices cellular signal.
- Hotspot service may not be enabled at any time on the device.
- The Guntersville City Schools Technology Use Policy applies to any device on the GCS campus. The TUP also applies to any device using the devices cellular signal.

Penalties:

• Please refer to the local school procedure on Personal Electronic Devices.