BYOD Frequently Asked Questions

Student

I have my device with me in class. How do I get on the Internet?

Most devices these days will automatically detect a wireless signal when one is within range. Most of the time, the device will "ask" if you want to join the network. When prompted, choose Sentry9000 from the list. Once you choose the RISD network, you will be prompted to accept the terms and conditions of the Raymondville ISD Acceptable Use Policy and use your normal credentials to login to the network. *There will be a Logon Wi-Fi page where you have to sign it to access the Wi-Fi.*

I do not have my own electronic communication device to bring to school. Will I be penalized or miss out on instruction?

No, it is not mandatory for students to bring a device, even if they do own one. When electronic devices are used to enhance learning in the classroom, students without an electronic device will be provided access (subject to availability) to an appropriate district-owned digital device.

I brought my electronic learning device to school to use in the classroom, but my teacher said I could not use it in the classroom. Can I still use it?

Classroom use of electronic devices must be approved by the classroom teacher. If he or she asks you not to use your device, then you must follow those directions.

I just can't get my device to connect to the network. Can I get some help from someone?

Resources may be available to help you connect to the RISD network on campus; however, you will need to consult with school staff for these resources. It is not the responsibility of your teachers or other Raymondville School District staff to troubleshoot individual devices during the school day, but they may direct students to the library media specialist during lunch, before or after school. It is suggested that students check their owner's manual for issues concerning connectivity.

How do I save my work?

All work done on the personal device should be saved to those devices or using web tools such as Gaggle - digital locker, Google Docs or Dropbox.

Am I able to print from my personal devices?

Printing directly from personal devices is not currently available. Students are encouraged to email or share documents/projects to faculty and staff when appropriate instead of printing.

My device was stolen when I brought it to school. Who should I contact about this?

Theft or vandalism of any kind should be reported immediately to a school principal or administrator. Installing tracking software on your own device may help locate the equipment if it is stolen, and keeping track of the device's serial number, model, and type will be helpful as well. The Raymondville Independent School District is not responsible for any damage done to the device while at school, nor theft of a device.

Why am I filtered on my own device? Shouldn't I be able to see what I want on my own device?

Student filtering is a requirement of all public schools. The Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requires all student network access to be filtered while using the school's network, regardless of the device you use to access it. When your device is connected to the school's network it will be filtered.

Students are required to use the school wireless network. **The use of your personal 3G/4G is prohibited.**

Am I still held accountable for the Acceptable Use Policy I signed at the beginning of the school year even though this is my own personal electronic device?

Yes. The Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for the Raymondville Independent School District remains in effect even when you are using your own laptop, smartphone, iPad, etc.

Do users need to log in/accept terms each time to connect to the RISD Public network?

Yes. Our policy can be viewed on line at www.raymondvilleisd.org.

May I text in school?

Students may text according to school guidelines in the designated zones before and after school and during their scheduled lunch hour. Use of cell phones in the hallways between classes or for any non-educational endeavor may result in the device being confiscated. [See policy FNF] Texting in class is not allowed unless it is part of an activity as directed by the teacher. [See Policy FNCE]

What can I use my device for during class?

Students may use their device during class with the permission and supervision of their classroom teacher. Some teachers will allow devices to be used for a variety of reasons based on their classroom and the specific activity being done during a class. Students must check with their individual classroom teachers for clarification on when and how to use their device(s).

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