

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

In our time, the use of technology is essential. **Students will be permitted to use electronic devices during lunch and in the classroom for instructional purposes at the discretion of the teacher.** All classrooms will have a red light/green light flip sign that will designate whether or not the use of electronic devices is permitted that day. If a student is found using an electronic device in an unauthorized area/manner, the student will be asked to turn the device off and put the device away (out of sight/appropriate location). **If a student refuses to turn off or put the electronic device away, a referral for violating the policy will be completed and submitted to the appropriate grade level dean.** The unauthorized use of cameras and/or audio/video recording devices or the viewing of inappropriate material at any time is not permitted and will be subject to disciplinary action. Electronic devices are never permitted in a testing room at any time. **THE SCHOOL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR STOLEN ARTICLES.**

BYOD

As part of our ongoing efforts to provide Piscataway High School students with an education that meets the needs of the 21st century workplace, Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) will take effect during the 2015-2016 school year. BYOD will provide students with the opportunity to utilize their personal device on the PHS Wi-Fi similar to that of your local coffee shop, library, or other "Hotspot". BYOD is not about the device itself; it is about creating a constructive change in teaching practices and empowering students to make decisions regarding how they will learn in class.

Our BYOD initiative is designed to help students keep up with the technological demands of the 21st century. Helping students become responsible digital citizens will enhance not only what we do in the classroom, but also give students the skills and experiences that will prepare them for college and career. Please note that a device is not mandatory, but desirable due to the nationwide changing educational landscape.

To ensure a smooth transition to our BYOD environment, students will be granted access using the following tiers:

As your child moves into the BYOD environment at PHS, the following bullets are individual system minimum requirements that will allow your child's device to interact well with our network:

- Any Windows 7 or higher tablet/laptop with Virus and Malware protection
- Any Apple MacBooks with OSX 10.9 or above
- Any Apple iPad w/ iOS 7 or above
- Any Android tablet with Android 5.0 or above
- Google Chromebooks
- Smartphones are acceptable, however please consider screen size for effectiveness of work being completed.