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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

Over the past few years, our district has successfully implemented significant instructional technology upgrades in preparation for a major shift into 21st Century Digital Learning Age Learning for our students. On September 9, 2015, the Eastport-South Manor Central School District Board of Education adopted a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy which is designed to create new opportunities to enhance our instructional process.

The BYOD Policy will allow teachers and students to bring their own personal computing devices to school for educational purposes. Examples of BYOD devices include tablets, laptops, iPads, e-Readers, and Smartphones. Any student who brings their personal computing device to school is personally responsible for the equipment. The district will not service or repair any device that is not owned by the district and is not responsible for any loss, theft, damage, and/or malware that may occur to student or staff-owned devices. Students will be responsible for charging their device before the school day. Students will understand that the classroom teacher has the authority to determine when the use of personal computing devices is or is not appropriate. All student and staff-owned devices will require advanced registration prior to accessing the district's wireless network and Internet. For Internet safety purposes, students will not be permitted to use their devices on any other broadband or wireless network other than the district's wireless network.

This notification is to inform you of this new learning opportunity. BYOD is optional not required. Students who do not choose to bring in their own device will not be left out of the instructional process. The district will have systems in place to ensure equity and access.

Please read the enclosed Internet Safety Acceptable Use Policy carefully with your child including the terms and conditions of use. Please sign and return the acknowledgement page to the main office of the school that you child attends.

We look forward to the learning opportunities that the BYOD Policy will bring to our educational environment. There may be questions along the way. Please do not hesitate to offer suggestions and feedback.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Sally S. Neumann
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