Dear Parent (s),

As new technologies continue to change in our world, they have opened the door to new and positive educational benefits for classroom instruction. We will be piloting a Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) program in certain classrooms. In this initiative, students are encouraged to bring their own technology devices to school to assist their learning experiences. This document outlines more about this program. Please note that students who cannot bring in outside technology will be able to access and utilize school equipment or share with others. No student will be left out of our instruction.

**Definition of “Technology**”

For purposes of BYOT, “technology” means a privately owned wireless and/or portable electronic hand held device that includes, but is not limited to, smart phones, tablets, personal gaming devices with Internet accessibility, laptops, etc.

**Security and Damages**

Responsibility to keep the device secure rests with the individual owner. FCSS is not liable for any device stolen or damaged on campus. If a device is stolen or damaged, it will be handled through the administrative office similar to other personal artifacts that are impacted in similar situations. Since a wireless network is accessible, the school is not responsible for any data usage fees.

**BYOT Student Agreement**

The use of technology to provide educational material is not a necessity but a privilege. A student does not have the right to use his or her laptop, cell phone or other electronic device while at school.

Students participating in BYOT must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, as well as all Board policies, particularly Internet Acceptable Use (Policy IFBG). Furthermore, the student must agree to the following conditions:

* The student takes full responsibility for his or her technology device. The school is not responsible for the security of student-owned technology.
* The technology must be in silent mode while on school campuses and while riding school buses.
* The technology may not be used to cheat on assignments or tests.
* The student accesses only files on the computer or Internet sites that are relevant to the classroom curriculum.
* The student complies with teachers' request to shut down the computer or close the screen.
* The student acknowledges that the school's network filters will be applied to one's connection to the Internet and will not attempt to bypass them.
* The student understands that bringing on premises or infecting the network with a virus, trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information is in violation of policy and will result in disciplinary actions. The school district has the right to collect and examine any device suspected of being the source of an attack or virus infection. In addition, the school is not responsible for computers affected while on campus.
* The student realizes that processing or accessing information on school property related to “hacking”, altering, or bypassing network security policies is in violation of the AUP policy and will result in disciplinary actions.
* The student realizes that printing from personal technology devices will not be possible at school.

I understand and will abide by the above policy and guidelines. I further understand that any violation is unethical and may result in the loss of privileges as well as other disciplinary action.

**Student Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_