



CSHS Bring Your Own iPad (BYOI) FAQ

Cardinal Spellman High School (CSHS) believes that students' ability to effectively use technology is essential for success in the world today. Over the last few years, Cardinal Spellman High School has provided over 700+ iPads for classroom instruction. Since 2016, CSHS has also explored bring your own device (BYOD) initiatives by allowing students to use their personally owned technology for educational purposes on our wireless network. In response, CSHS's Technology Advisory Committee met throughout this school year to develop policies and procedures that will allow students to bring more of these devices into the classroom. The result is CSHS's Bring Your Own iPad (BYOI) program. This document will outline the most commonly asked questions regarding the program.

1. What is BYO iPad?

- a. Bring Your Own (BYO) iPad is a program where students may bring personally owned iPad for use on the student wireless network at school. Participating students will be provided a standard set of educational iPad apps on their own personal iPad.

2. What will my student be doing with the iPad?

- a. Students will use their iPads to access and evaluate a variety of informational resources, explore content in engaging ways, inspire creativity, productivity and innovation, communicate and collaborate, extend learning beyond the classroom and workplace, and contribute to society as responsible digital citizens.

3. What is an acceptable device for BYOiPad?

- a. For management, security, and equivalent classroom experiences, iPads must be able to support iOS 11.0 or newer. New iPad is recommended (see Apple iPad website link: <https://www.apple.com/ipad-9.7/>). Devices must also have at least 32GB of storage. Apple's \$329, 32GB iPad is the CSHS's recommended minimal standard classroom device configuration. Due to security and capacity, older iPad device unable to support iOS 11.0 and subsequent updates will not be supported at school.

4. If I don't already own an iPad for my student, what purchasing options exist?

- a. iPads can be purchased from Apple, Best Buy, Amazon or many other electronics vendors. Additional insurance protection plan such as Apple's AppleCare option (\$99 - <https://www.apple.com/support/products/ipad.html>) is highly recommended.

5. Why are you only allowing iPads? Why can't my student bring a laptop or cell phone?

- a. As the first school implemented iPad under the Boston Archdiocese schools over five years ago, CSHS currently experienced tremendous success using iPad as student device for teaching and learning tool. Many CSHS teachers also have already received iPad training connected to powerful instructional strategies for implementing curriculum and lesson planning standards. iPads and these strategies are also being successfully implemented in all departments across CSHS, providing opportunities for students to refine skills across grade levels and teachers to collaborate on best practices. Furthermore, the security and management of the iPad were most efficient and effective. For all of these reasons and more, CSHS aims to leverage students' access to personally owned iPads to further extend powerful learning experiences.

6. May my student use the iPad in all classes?

- a. We encourage students to use their iPad in all classes for academic purposes. However, it is always the teacher's discretion when and how iPads may be used in the classroom.

7. What if my student loses or damages the iPad?

- a. In accordance with the Acceptable Use Policy in the CSHS Student Handbook, students bring personally owned electronic devices on campus at their own risk, just like any personal item. CSHS is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged property. Students should keep personal iPads in a rugged protective case at all times and enable Find My iPad through iCloud. Parents are also encouraged to enable parental restrictions in iPad settings (Settings > General > Restrictions).

8. When students bring personal iPads on to campus, will the Internet be filtered?

- a. In compliance with State and federal laws, students will connect to a protected and filtered CSHS wireless network while on campus. However, we cannot control what is accessed or loaded on personal iPads at home. Consequently, parents are strongly encouraged to monitor their students' Internet activities and technology use at home.

9. Can students use their own 3G/4G LTE Internet or tether devices to a 3G/4G LTE hotspot?

- a. No. It is absolutely required that students use the school's filtered wireless in compliance with the Children's Internet Protections Act (CIPA) and as stated in the Acceptable Use Policy section of student handbook. Students will be required to turn off cellular data and disable any "VPN" or "Proxy" app while on campus and connect their device to the secure CSHS wireless network. Using the school wifi will also eliminate unnecessary data charges.

10. What content may students bring on iPads?

- a. Students may only bring an iPad that contains school-appropriate content. Inappropriate content or actions that violate the Acceptable Use Policy or classroom policy may result in disciplinary action. In such cases, personal devices may be confiscated.

11. Will my student be required to share his/her iPad with other students?

- a. A student should never share a personally owned iPad with another person.

12. What iPad apps will my student need?

- a. Participating students will receive the same apps that are provided on school-owned iPads. Such apps may include Memos, iMovie, Keynote, Pages, Google Drive, Google Docs, Google Mail and more. Much like textbooks, required apps will be communicated to the students by their teachers and school administrator. With parental discretion, students may still install their own personal apps on a personal device.

13. How does BYO iPad work?

- a. Once the student account is activated, students will use their school provide credentials to login to the wireless network. Detailed instructions will be provided at the new student orientation and or before any new school year starts.

14. Who can I contact if I have any additional questions or concerns?

- a. Visit the CSHS website for updated information or contact any member of our team with questions or concerns:

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