Student Owned Devices Policy

St. Edmund believes in providing students with an educational environment that will engage and empower them as 21st century learners. To this end, junior high students are permitted to use student-owned devices on our wireless network under the following conditions:

- Only students who have a signed acceptable use form allowing them to use the Internet are able to access the network.
- Students are accountable for their behavior and activity while using our wireless network.
- Students are responsible for the security and safety of their own devices.
- The school is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.
- The school will not provide technical support for student-owned devices.
- Failure to follow the procedures for using student-owned devices or the network could result in a loss of privilege, confiscation of the device, or other sanctions, depending on the circumstances.
- Students are encouraged to use a device other than a telephone in order to access the network and complete work in a more efficient manner.
- Owning a device is recommended, but is NOT a requirement. It is not necessary for students to buy or use any devices.

Essential Agreements

- The use of personal devices and the wireless network is for class time and under teacher direction and supervision only.
- The use of the network and personal devices is for educational use only, not for social use.
- Devices must be fully powered prior to using them at school to avoid loss of time, management issues and overloading of electrical outlets.
- Sharing of devices is only permitted if students are working together. Students should not allow other students to use their personal devices.
- Use of cameras and videos is permitted under teacher supervision only. No school pictures or videos of any kind may be posted on any social media or personal sites.
- Teachers will review netiquette (etiquette for the internet) with students.
- Teachers have the right to determine how, when and to what extent student-owned devices may be used in their classrooms.
- Teachers and administrators have the right to "search" the device if they have reason to believe that the device has been used inappropriately.
- Student devices will work from the "Cloud" and will follow the same internet safety precautions and sites as if they were wired in the lab. In other words, sites like "Facebook" will not be available for student use while at school.
- ABSOLUTELY NO TEXTING, GAMING OR SOCIAL NETWORKING OF ANY KIND DURING INSTRUCTIONAL TIME.

