



## **UT Tyler University Academy Acceptable Use Policy, Honor Code and BYOD Policy 2025-2026**

The following guidelines are for the care and operation of the accounts/device(s) assigned to me by the UT Tyler University Academy (UTTUA).

- **I am responsible for the safety of my device and will take measures to protect it with an appropriate cover. If this device or charger is damaged or lost, the cost of repair or replacement will be my and/or my parents' responsibility.**
- While in school, the devices may be used only in the classroom under the direct supervision of a teacher for school-related purposes only. The use of the internet on my device is restricted to academic use only, unless otherwise instructed by the teacher. Torrenting and games are prohibited.
- Students are prohibited from accessing or attempting to access age-inappropriate/explicit content (as determined by the district), illegal content, or content that advocates illegal activity at any time. A content filter has been provided for school-issued student devices. The District cannot guarantee that the content filter will block all inappropriate content. Attempts to access such material, to circumvent/remove the content filter, or to modify the operating system are logged by the IT Team, and a report will be provided to the campus director.
- I will immediately report all malfunctions, damages, or loss of this device or charger to my teacher and to the UTTUA Technology team at the portal link provided below. The Director of IT and/or the IT Team will evaluate the condition of my device and determine what repairs need to be made. If the device is damaged by my misuse or mishandling, I will be responsible for the cost of the repair. In the meantime, I will be provided with a loaner device to use in the classroom. Only OEM chargers are accepted at end-of-the-year collections.
- Devices will be inspected on a random basis and can be confiscated by faculty, staff, and administration members if deemed necessary.
- I will think wisely before I use this device so that I am sure that what I do with it is Legal, Appropriate, Responsible, and Kind (LARK).

University Academy students (8th-12th grade) are encouraged to bring their own personal laptop devices to campus each day. University Academy reserves the right to revoke this privilege if students are found in violation of the written BYOD policy guidelines. All policies above and below are applicable.

### **UA Technology Support Portal Link:**

<https://ingenuitycenter.on.spiceworks.com/portal>

#### **Permitted Devices**

- Windows 10/11 laptops
- Mac OS
- Chromebooks

#### **Prohibited Items**

- Cell phones (smartphones, flip phones)
- Smartwatches
- Tablets
- Radios or paging devices

## BYOD Policy (8th-12th Grade)

The district permits students to bring personal laptop devices. These devices are expected to be used for approved instructional purposes only.

- If a student uses their devices in an unauthorized manner during the school day, the device will be confiscated. The parent(s) may collect the confiscated device from the campus Director's office. In limited circumstances and in accordance with law, a student's personal device may be searched by authorized personnel. Any disciplinary action will be in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. In the event a student repeatedly violates the device policy, they may be restricted from bringing their own device and be issued a school computer to use during the day.
- Students are allowed to connect their devices to student WiFi for school use and virtual desktop access only. Student personal devices are not allowed to be physically connected to the network (Ethernet)
- Required school-provided resources can be accessed via Virtual Desktop (VDI) or Web Browser (Google Apps Suite and other online learning resources).
- Personal devices may not be used at any time to store, access, or attempt to access age-inappropriate/explicit content (as determined by the district), illegal content, or content that advocates illegal activity at any time. A network filter has been implemented to block such content. The District cannot guarantee that the content filter will block all inappropriate content. Attempts to access such material or circumvent/remove the content filter, or modify the operating system are logged by the IT Team, and a report will be provided to the campus director.
- UTTUA IT Department does not provide technical support for personal devices or repairs for any non-UTTUA-owned devices.
- All personal laptops are required to have an up-to-date antivirus program installed.
- UTTUA reserves the right to block, disconnect, or remove any device deemed to be a security risk on the provided network.
- The district is not responsible for damaged, lost, or stolen personal devices.

**I understand and will abide by the provisions and conditions of this agreement. I understand that any violation of the above provisions may result in disciplinary action, which may include the revoking of my technology access privileges, the suspension of student device use, suspension or expulsion from the school, and/or appropriate legal action.**

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Student Name

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Parent Name

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Campus

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature

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Date