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CVA's Bring Your Own Device Program

Cyber Village Academy allows students in all grade levels to bring their own computers, though it is not required. Our school has a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) wireless network for all students in all classrooms.

What type of devices can connect to CVA's wireless?
Most reasonably up-to-date devices should have no problem connecting to the CVA wireless network. If your device is able to connect to a library or coffee shop wireless network, it is likely to work well with CVA's network. Macs, PC's, laptops and tablets should all function well.

Do I need any particular software?

Anti-virus
All devices commonly affected by viruses need to have an acceptable antivirus program installed and functioning. Before being allowed to connect, CVA scans all devices that are commonly affected by viruses to ensure that antivirus software is installed and running. At this time, only clients running Windows operating systems will be scanned for supported anti-virus software. Non-Windows clients are not scanned. An updated list of compatible anti-virus software can be found here: http://bit.ly/eXCWuQ.

Devices that fail to meet antivirus requirements will be prohibited from accessing the wireless network.

General work
For most school work, a general office productivity suite will suffice. Microsoft Office, Open Office, and iWork are the most common. Such suites generally include applications for word processing (e.g. Microsoft Word), calculations/graphing (e.g. Microsoft Excel), presentations (e.g. Microsoft PowerPoint), and email (e.g. Microsoft Outlook or Entourage).

Plugins and add-ons
Standard plug-ins and add-ons are required for our network. Some school material utilizes Java and Flash, for example. For best results, make sure you have the latest version of all such plug-ins, which are generally part of the browser software.

What rules apply to Internet and computer usage?
While accessing the school's wireless connection and with devices brought to school, CVA's same rules of appropriate use as outlined in the Student Handbook apply. While on campus, computers are to be used for educational purposes only.

Will CVA provide technical support for my device?
Technical support for the operation of the student's device will be the responsibility of the family. However, CVA will assist with getting the device on the wireless network and accessing school related resources. CVA makes no guarantees that all devices will be able to connect to the wireless network and/or be compatible with its online resources.

What if we don't have a device?
CVA will assist low income families with the purchase of a suitable device through Computers for Schools or similar low-cost provider. We welcome donations of used or new laptops or other devices to further increase the number of devices available.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the CVA office.

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