Parents/Guardians and Students,

The Perry County School District has recently adopted a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy. The Site Based Decision Making Council at your school has the option to adopt this policy as well. This policy will allow students to bring many of their own technology devices to school for use in our classrooms. We will now be incorporating the use of such items as laptops, iPads, Kindles, netbooks, and cell phones with browsing capabilities for educational purposes only. Similar to other personally owned items, the district is not liable for the loss, damage, misuse, or theft of personally owned devices brought to school.

This notification is to inform and guide you through this new opportunity.

Please note that students are never required to bring in outside technology to school. All students will continue to be able to utilize our school equipment. No student will be left out of the instructional process. Perry County School District Schools will not be responsible for any financial obligations resulting from standard messaging or data charges incurred by students who choose to bring their own device.

## **Expectations:**

• Students wishing to bring their personal technology devices to school will complete the Digital Driver's License course and successfully pass Level 1 and Level 2 assessments with 80% accuracy.

Once the device is accepted and added to the network

- Students will only use appropriate technology at their teachers' discretions.
- Students will only use appropriate educational applications on their device (i.e. not games and/or non-school related tasks and functions).
- Students are not to call, text message, email, or electronically communicate with others from their personal device, including other students, parents, guardians, friends, and family during the school day unless directed by school staff.
- Students are permitted to access only the school's network through personal devices. Students may not access private or cellular networks while on school grounds.
- Students not following expectations for use of personal devices will face school disciplinary measures and lose the privilege to utilize personal devices in school for an appropriate period of time to be determined by the school principal.

We look forward to the educational opportunities that BYOD will bring to our students and staff and understand that there will be some challenges with full implementation of the policy along the way. Your suggestions and feedback are always welcome. Thank you for your understanding and reinforcement of the initial procedures and expectations for this initiative.