

PASSAIC VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

All students at the Passaic Valley Regional High School can take part in our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program that allows them to use Windows or Mac laptops during the school day. As part of the program, students will provide teachers and administrators feedback on their experiences. Studies have shown that technology integration has significantly enhanced student learning and increased productivity in the classroom. With this extensive initiative, comes the need to protect our students and our technology.

As such, the district purchased Mobile Device Management (MDM) services from Microsoft called Intune. These services aid in the onboarding of personal devices to the school network by registering their device, installing a security certificate, installing school related apps, and making sure some basic security settings are enabled. **Intune does not collect location information, Email, text messages, passwords, contacts, photos or videos from the device.** Students will need to enroll in Intune to successfully use the school network.

Because of our MDM services, the State of New Jersey requires us to inform you about the “Anti-Big Brother” Act: P.L.2013, CHAPTER 44, approved April 15, 2013, Senate No. 2057. This public law states that our district will provide “written or electronic notification that the electronic device may record or collect information on the student’s activity or the student’s use of the device if the electronic device is equipped with a camera, global positioning system, or other feature capable of recording or collecting information on the student’s activity or use of the device... The notice is required to have a form attached which provides for a parent or guardian signature acknowledging receipt of the form.”

Please note that Passaic Valley Regional High School shall not use any of Intune’s capabilities in a manner that would violate the privacy rights of the student, however Passaic Valley is still required to alert parents and guardians of this law.

It is the understanding of the parents/guardians that they agree to hold the district harmless in the event of damage or theft of their child’s device. The school district will further follow district policy 2363- STUDENT USE OF PRIVATELY-OWNED TECHNOLOGY that states “The school district shall assume no responsibility for the security of or damage to any privately-owned technology brought to school by a student. Parents/guardians are encouraged to purchase private insurance for loss, damage, or theft of any privately-owned technology the student brings to school.” Before purchasing a separate policy, parents/guardians should refer to their homeowner’s insurance coverage for damages and theft coverage or obtain accidental warranty coverage.