

Secure Wireless Access in Schools

What is the Ipswich Secure Wireless Network?

Ipswich Public Schools has implemented the Aerohive secure wireless network system district wide. This system is configured to provide a secure connection to the school network for school wireless devices as well as a secure internet connection for staff and students who are participating in the “Bring Your Own Device” (BYOD) program.



What devices have access to the school secure wireless network?

School owned laptops, tablets, wireless desktops and wireless printers will be connected directly to the school wireless network. All personal wireless devices owned by staff and students will need to be registered in order to connect to the “BYOD” wireless networks. Staff and students will need to comply with the acceptable use policy as well as their school’s BYOD policy. Guests will need to obtain the “Guest” password from the school principal in order to connect to the school network.

Why is device registration required for personal wireless devices?

Device registration allows the wireless network to recognize the personal device so that the staff or student does not have to continually authenticate in order to connect to school wireless. Each device will only need to be registered once per year.

Does registration allow administrative access to personal devices?

No. The school does not have access to anyone’s personal device or any information contained on a personal device. The registration only enables connection to the internet through the secure school wireless network.

More Information on Internet Safety Requirements

<http://www.doe.mass.edu/news/news.aspx?id=1100>