

## **Student Mobile Device Policy**

Communication between students; their parents, caregivers, local mentors; and teachers is integral to educational success. Evolving technology continues to provide additional methods for communicating. Many students today have access to and use their mobile phones and other personal devices as their primary communication tools.

When authorized by a student's parent or legal guardian, BYU Online High School teachers and other educators and educational support staff may use the student's mobile phone(s) and other personal device(s) to communicate with the student about school. Even when parents have given this authorization, BYU Online High School personnel are prohibited from communicating with students in any way that is not directly related to and in furtherance of the student's school activities and academic pursuits. At all times, BYU Online High School personnel are required to honor all Utah laws and regulations and BYU policies related to minor protection.

When a student's parent or legal guardian has given this authorization, approved communication methods include text messaging and the use of other messaging platforms, phone calls, and other audio and video calls.

A parent or guardian who gives this authorization remains financially responsible for the cost of any and all charges, data rates, and data use of the student's phone(s) and other personal device(s).

### **Student Mobile Device Communication Authorization**

This form gives you, the parent or legal guardian of the student listed below, an opportunity to authorize certain uses of your child's mobile phone and other personal devices for school-related communication.

By signing below, you authorize BYU Online High School teachers, other educators, and educational support staff ("Educators") to:

- send messages to and receive messages from your child;
- call and receive phone calls from your child;
- participate with your child in audio and video calls; and
- otherwise communicate with your child

All according to the Student Mobile Device Policy, set out above as of the date of this authorization, and any successor BYU Online High School Student Mobile Device policies as updated from time to time.

By signing this authorization, you acknowledge and accept financial responsibility for any data rates that may apply to school-related communication on your child's phone and other personal devices.

Please note your choice below and sign this form only if giving the authorization described above:

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I give permission for my student to send and receive communication via mobile phone(s) and other personal device(s) according to the BYU Online High School Mobile Device Policy and any successor policies, as set out above.

\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT authorize communication with my student via mobile phone(s) and other personal device(s). (Please do not sign this form if you do not give permission.)

Please list the student name and number(s) of the personal device(s) contemplated in this authorization.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Personal Device(s), if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_