

Virtual Prep Academy Mobile Broadband Device Policy

Virtual Preparatory Academy of Oklahoma (the “School”) offers a mobile broadband device program to students who qualify. Qualification is defined as: economically disadvantaged, as determined by Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines used in determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals and, or those in need of a mobile broadband device due to a change in life circumstances. Student who qualifies may be eligible to be issued a mobile broadband device for the duration of enrollment at the School. The number of devices is limited and will be issued one per family on a first come, first served basis. The device is to be used for attending online classes, accessing and completing schoolwork/activities and communicating with the School. It is not provided for personal use. The device is equipped with Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) filters, but the School is not responsible for sites accessed through the device. By receiving the device, the legal guardian accepts responsibility for monitoring internet use of the student and responsibility for payment for lost, damaged or stolen devices. Normal use will not exceed the monthly allowable data. Misuse may cause the data to exceed limits, which results in loss of internet access until the next billing cycle. Misuse will result in denial to participate in the School’s mobile broadband device program. The device must be returned immediately to the School upon withdrawal or graduation. Without a waiver from the Head of the School, to be eligible for a mobile broadband device, a student must participate in all required testing and must have an attendance rate of no less than ninety percent (90%).

Federal Affordable Connectivity Program

For families who may need assistance with monthly internet subsidies, we help direct families to the Affordable Connectivity Program. This program is an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more. [Affordable Connectivity Program - National Verifier \(getinternet.gov\)](https://www.getinternet.gov)

- The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.
- Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.
- The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.
- Families qualify if they or their child or dependent is enrolled in government programs like Medicaid, SNAP, WIC, or others, or based on household income.

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