

Strategies by Device

Depending on the technology environment at your school, your students will be able to access Learning Ally in different ways. Use these guidelines to determine the best way to implement Learning Ally on your devices.

Be sure to add the [Learning Ally reading app](#), to all of your devices.

SCHOOL-ISSUED DEVICES

With 1:1 devices, all students in the school will have individual school-issued devices so using Learning Ally should be a standard practice and reading can happen anytime, anywhere.

If the device is issued only while in school, give permission to the students to use Learning Ally in all classes, even though other students might not be able to. Have a conversation with general education teachers to ensure they understand the student will be accessing Learning Ally in their classroom.

If the device is issued for both school and home use, make sure to inform the parents that their child can access Learning Ally at home and tell parents that the app is installed on their school-issued device. Share the [Teacher Letter to Parents](#) and the [Parent Instructions](#).

SHARED DEVICES DURING SCHOOL

If you have limited access to devices, consider one of the following **instructional options** for your school:

Literacy Station/Reader's Workshop—Set up Learning Ally access on a single device as a station rotation. A splitter with multiple headphones works ideal in this situation. If you don't have access to a splitter, play the audiobook aloud.

Whole Class Instruction—Project the reading app on a smartboard for the entire class. This is a perfectly acceptable use for Learning Ally as long as the eligible students are getting the access they need.

Shared Use of a Single Device—The app has the ability to switch users on the same device. Students can log in to their own bookshelf and log out allowing the next student to log in. Reading progress, bookmarks and customization will not be lost when the next student logs in.

PERSONAL DEVICES

BYOD policies allow students to bring personal devices to school for educational purposes. Students using Learning Ally should install the reading app on their personal device for both at school and home use.

No matter your technology, always encourage students to add the Learning Ally audiobook reading app on their own personal device. This will encourage use both inside and outside of the classroom. If students do not have their own personal device, speak with parents about accessing a shared device at home.



TIP: Get more devices through applying for [grants](#), Donors Choose/Go Fund Me or participate in Learning Ally's reading programs for a chance to win.

TIP: Print off [stickers](#) to put on devices. This makes for easy recognition of devices to grab quickly from a technology cart or shared device station.

