Student BYOD

Supported Devices and Specifications 2027

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BYOD PROGRAM

Our *Bring Your Own Device* (BYOD) program supports modern learning within the curriculum, school community, and facilitates the use of personally owned devices to access the department's ICT network via Wi-Fi. Features include: printing, Internet, email, document access and storage.

DEVICE SELECTION

Devices must meet hardware, software and security requirements for eligibility to the program and its services. Parents/carers should take care when purchasing a device to conform with supported device requirements, that it meets suitability for teaching and learning activities, student needs and promote safe and secure access. The next page provides these details.

Considerations need to be made for the best **type** of device to purchase depending on student year levels. Students in junior school have different needs to those in senior:

- **Junior (Years 7 to 9) – 11" to 13" Windows 11 laptops** are preferred for students in **Years 7 to 9** due to portability and ease of use. iPads are accepted but are no longer recommended.
- **Senior (Years 10 to 12) – 13" to 14" Windows 11 laptops** are preferred for students in **Years 10 to 12** as they have more diverse needs than younger students. Senior students studying specialist, computer-based subjects are recommended to have a laptop. iPads are accepted but are of detriment to senior student learning.

REQUIREMENTS

Students will either obtain instructions to connect to BYOD from the school website, or from Technical Officers (school technicians) in the eHub building during recess. Students follow all instructions provided to them by school support staff and attempt to connect at home before seeking assistance at school.

NOT SUPPORTED

The program does not provide technical hardware or warranty support, and does not allow the charging of personal devices at school. **Android, Copilot+ (Snapdragon), Chromebook, Chrome and Linux devices are not supported by our school.**

SOFTWARE

Microsoft Office is provided for all current State School students. To find out more please visit: **https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/school-information/internet-at-school**

Supported Devices

Device Type	Minimum Requirements	Recommended Requirements
Windows 11 Laptop (Recommended)	Intel N200 3.7GHz or faster 4-8 core CPU AMD Ryzen 5 7530U or faster 4-8 core CPU 8Gb RAM; 256Gb SSD storage Windows 11 Home 3Yr/> Warranty + Accidental Damage Protection Hard case that can slip into a school bag	Intel Ultra 5 235U or faster 8-12 core CPU AMD Ryzen 5 230 or faster 6-10 core CPU 16Gb RAM; 256Gb SSD storage Windows 11 Home 3Yr/> Warranty + Accidental Damage Protection Hard case that can slip into a school bag
Apple MacBook	Manufacture date from 2021 AppleCare+ Protection Hard case that can slip into a school bag	Manufacture date from 2021 AppleCare+ Protection Hard case that can slip into a school bag
iPad (Not Recommended)	iPad (9th gen) or newer running minimum iOS 26 128Gb/256Gb SSD storage $30 iTunes card to allow for purchase of some apps throughout the year (Apple ID required) AppleCare+ Protection Cover or Hard case that can slip into a school bag	iPad (9th gen) or newer running minimum iOS 26 128Gb/256Gb SSD storage $30 iTunes card to allow for purchase of some apps throughout the year (Apple ID required) AppleCare+ Protection Cover or Hard case that can slip into a school bag
Battery Life	6 hours (used for learning and schoolwork only)	6 hours (used for learning and schoolwork only)
Price Range RRP	**Windows: $850+ | iPad $750+**	**Windows: $1200+ | MacBook $1500+**
Recommended Accessories	Mouse for laptop, cover with bluetooth keyboard for iPads	
Incompatible Software	Devices that include "FREE" (30/60-day trial) anti-virus apps are problematic when connecting a BYOD device to the school network. It is required to remove these apps before attempting to connect. **VPN and torrent apps are prohibited, and must not be installed on BYOD devices.**	

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VERY IMPORTANT – Administrator Access

Students must be administrators on their devices to be able to install the **Microsoft Company Portal** BYOD app and onboard using their school email and password. Parents must not install apps that limit the ability for this app to function, learn or perform schoolwork. Devices must be configured to Australia as a region, Brisbane as timezone, and English as main language. Problems will be experienced with computers purchased from overseas. International students are not exempt from these requirements.

***Charging of BYOD devices at school NOT permitted**

Devices must be fully charged at home with sufficient capacity to last from 9am to 3pm. Due to the safety risks involved and strict school policy and rules, students are not permitted to charge any personal equipment at school. They are recommended to leave their chargers at home. Teachers and Teacher Aides are prohibited from granting permission to students to charge their devices at school.