

# Bring Your Own Device

## Participation Agreement (P013 v25a)

Parents wishing to participate in the College BYOD program should read and understand this document and the College ICT Policy, Mobile & Electronic Device Policy and Responsible Behaviour Plan (found on the College website) before signing the BYOD Student Participation Form.

Please note, this policy may be updated periodically to ensure up-to-date requirements for Student Devices.

All Devices must meet the College BYOD Minimum Requirements; devices that do not meet the requirements will not be connected to College network and resources.

Minimum iPad Specifications	
All Year Levels – PREFERRED DEVICE	
<b>Model/Series:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iPad (8<sup>th</sup> Gen or Later)</li> <li>iPad Air (4<sup>th</sup> Gen or Later)</li> <li>iPad Pro (2018 and newer)</li> </ul>	<b>Required Accessories:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apple Pencil or Logitech Crayon</li> <li>Protective Case</li> </ul>
<b>Screen Size:</b> 9.5" or Larger iPad Mini is not suitable	<b>Optional Accessory:</b> Keyboard/Keyboard Case
<b>Operating System:</b> iPadOS 18	<b>Storage Capacity:</b> 64GB or more
<b>Note:</b> iPads are available as either Wi-Fi only, or Wi-Fi & Cellular models, students with cellular models will not have any additional advantages over students without, as students will need to be connected to the College network to access resources & internet. We recommend purchasing a Wi-Fi only model, as this saves on additional costs.	

Minimum Laptop Specifications	
Senior School - Optional	
<b>Processor:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intel Core i3 or higher</li> <li>AMD Ryzen 3 or higher</li> <li>Apple M1 or higher</li> </ul>	<b>Battery:</b> 6+ Hr Capacity
<b>RAM:</b> 8GB or more	<b>Screen Size:</b> 11" or larger
<b>Hard Drive:</b> 128GB or more	<b>Wireless:</b> Wi-Fi 5+ (802.11ac) or newer, 5GHz
<b>Operating System:</b> Windows 11 (Home, Pro or Education) MacOS 15 (Sequoia)	<b>User Permissions:</b> Full Administrator
<b>All Devices MUST meet the minimum specification for the operating system they run.</b> For Windows, please see the <a href="#">Windows 11 system requirements</a> . For MacOS, please see the <a href="#">compatibility list</a> .	
<b>Note:</b> Devices that are running Windows 11 in S Mode, devices that do not support 5GHz networks and user accounts without administrative permissions on the device are not supported by the department's networking software.	

### Device Support

iPads are supported for all year levels. Laptops are an option for Years 11 & 12. **Laptops are not an option for Years 7, 8, 9 & 10.**

### Student Resource Scheme

It is a requirement of the BYOD program that payments toward the Student Resource Scheme are paid as per the College payment calendar.

If payments fall into arrears, the College may restrict access to software and resources until you are financial with the College.

### Lost / Stolen and Damaged Devices

Students are responsible for ensuring devices are always secure, it is recommended that students do not leave their devices unattended in public places.

The College is not responsible for any damage to student devices and will not be accountable for any lost or stolen student devices or property.

### Insurance (Own Insurance Policy)

When purchasing your device please look at options to purchase accidental damage protection for your device. ADP covers your device with accidental damage on and off the school campus.

Fire, theft, and acts of God are usually not covered under these programs, and we request you to include it in your personal or home insurance.

The insurance can be purchased with your computer vendor or any insurance company. All insurance claims must be settled between you and the insurance company.

Statistically, 60% of repairs at the College are considered non-warranty. e.g. repairing a cracked screen from a drop. Purchasing insurance for your BYOD is a personal choice.

### Warranty

It is recommended that your device is covered by an extended warranty, statistically a device will require, on average, 2.5 repairs during its 3-year life cycle.

### Battery Life / Charging of devices

Students will be expected to bring a fully charged BYOD to school each day. It is recommended that when purchasing a device that battery life is taken into consideration.

Check device specifications for battery life reference or consult your technical support. Please note there are a limited number of power points installed in classrooms.

### Case / Carry Bag

A strong carry case is recommended to protect your device from accidental damage like drops. It is expected that all students will use a bag or case designed to hold a device with adequate padding when moving around the College.

### Repairs and Maintenance

All maintenance for the device, operating system, software and/or apps purchased by the family are the responsibility of the family. Families should ensure quick maintenance turnaround for student devices.

A limited number of loan devices may be available from the IT office for use while repairs are occurring; this must be pre-arranged with the College's IT Department.

### Backing Up

Technology devices can fail, be lost or stolen so it is extremely important that student's backup their important files to an external device such as a USB Memory Stick or External Hard Drive.

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The College provides minimal IT Support for BYOD devices. If you run into a problem, students may see the College IT staff who can attempt to diagnose the fault.

With permission of a parent/guardian, IT Staff can reset devices and complete software repairs. If the problem is not able to be resolved by College IT staff, they may recommend a further course of action for repair (e.g., warranty claim, insurance claim, 3<sup>rd</sup> party service etc.)

### Internet Access

The College provides secured filtered access to the internet via its wireless network. Student access to the internet is governed by the College's *ICT Policy and Responsible Behaviour Plan*. The College reminds the parent/guardian of their obligations under this agreement.

Cellular ability (e.g., USB Dongles, or inbuilt modems) should be disabled or not brought to school as this function, when activated, allows students to bypass the EQ network security filters. The College takes no responsibility for the content accessed by students using cellular facility on their own devices.

Newer Cellular devices come with an Embedded SIM card (eSIM) which may allow students to sign up for a cellular plan without your knowledge.

### Mobile Device Management

The College enrolls all BYOD devices in the College's Mobile Device Management system to enable remote installation of College resources, network settings and applications. Please refer to the [BYOx Parent Fact Sheet](#) on the College website for more information.

### Digital Textbooks

A digital copy of the College textbooks may be loaded onto BYOD devices where families have joined the College Student Resource Scheme.

Textbooks must not be copied or transferred, for any reason at all, without prior written consent from the College.

Unauthorised use may breach copyright laws and the Parent/Guardian may be held liable for any damages incurred.

### College Software

Some subjects require the use of subject specific software, all of which have different licencing arrangements. Where required the College may load subject specific software where student licences are available, licencing arrangements for subject specific software will be managed by the College IT Department and relevant Head of Department. **Microsoft Office** is included under this arrangement.

Specialist software loaded by the College must not be copied or transferred, for any reason at all, without prior written consent from the College.

Unauthorised use may breach copyright laws and the Parent/Guardian may be held liable for any damages incurred.

### Device Monitoring

When connected to the College's network all data transmissions sent and received are monitored and logged by the Department of Education. This includes but is not limited to internet history and email transmissions.

Please refer to the [BYOx Parent Fact Sheet](#) on the College website for more information on what data can be monitored whilst the device is not connected to the College's network.

### Content on Devices

The Parent/Guardian must ensure that all content on the BYO device is licensed, legally obtained, and meeting the guidelines outlined in the College's *ICT Policy and Responsible Behaviour Plan*. (located on College website)

The College reserves the right to audit BYO devices and remove content from devices that has not been legally obtained or does not meet the College's *ICT Policy or Responsible Behaviour Plan*.

### For Computers: Administrative Account

All students are required to have **Administrative Access** to their BYOD device to allow connection and installation of College resources

### For Computers: Wireless Networking

The College uses the 5Ghz wireless band as it provides a more stable connection and less interference. All BYOD Devices must be capable of connecting to a 5Ghz Wireless Network, the College will be unable to connect devices that do not support 5Ghz.

If you are unsure consult the manufacturers website. (Some lower cost devices do not support 5Ghz Wireless.)

### For Windows Computers: S Mode

Devices that are running Windows 11 in S Mode, are not supported by the department's networking software.

You may be able to upgrade to a Full version of Windows 10/11 free of charge, please see the following link for more information.

<https://pssc.au/win-s-mode>

### Getting your device connected

Once you have purchased your device, your student will need to visit IT Services to have their device onboarded onto the College's network (including enrolment in the Mobile Device Management system (MDM).

For iPadOS devices, please ensure you download the Intune Company Portal app from the App Store before you visit IT Services.

Please visit <https://pssc.au/byo> to download this app or scan the QR Code below.

