

# Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline to students, parents/carers, the minimum specifications of a Laptop Device and the expectations of Warragul Regional College regarding bring your own device (BYOD).

## Minimum Technical Specifications

Processor Dual Core 1.5GHz

Memory 4GB Ram

Battery Life 6Hours Minimum

Hard Drive 256 GB

Network (WiFi) Integrated 802.11 g/n/ac or 802.11b/g VTFI

Operating System Windows 10 or Mac OS

**The school does not support Tablets or Chrome OS (Chrome Books)**

## BYOD - Software & Technical Support

Once a signed BYOD Agreement is received, the Student will have access to the school network, Office 365, Printers and Adobe Photoshop.

Any other software issues including viruses etc. are the parent/guardian's responsibility.

## BYOD Repairs - Responsibility

By selecting this option, parents/guardians accept full responsibility for organizing repairs and meeting all ongoing costs. Parents also accept responsibility to ensure that their student has access to an alternative laptop when their laptop is under repair or otherwise unavailable. In summary, bringing your own laptop requires you to do the right research. Purchase price is only one consideration, device capability, capacity and cost to repair/maintain are equally important.

## Device Configuration and Provision of Software

If the device meets the minimum specifications required, the IT department will provide instructions on how to connect to the School Wi-Fi, how to connect to School printers, and installing Microsoft Office 365.

Support for school and infrastructure and software on a BYOD device is 'best effort' only. There is no guarantee a BYOD device will function correctly on school systems, even if it meets the minimum requirements.

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## Parent / Student responsibilities

- The device must be primarily for student use and made available each school day.
- The student and parent/guardian will agree to and adhere to the college's Acceptable Use Agreement.
- Organization, monitoring, and cost of hardware repairs under warranty is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- Repairs and costs related to accidental breakage are the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- Data backup is the responsibility of the student and / or parent/guardian.
- Insurance for theft or loss of the device is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- The Device must have antivirus software installed and kept up to date (Windows 10 has windows defender pre-installed)

## Tablets and Chrome OS (Chrome Books)

- These devices are unlikely to provide adequate functionality to support student learning in our classroom environment. The College is not responsible for compatibility issues between these devices and our network.