



NSW Department of Education
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) STUDENT AGREEMENT

Dear Parent/Guardian and Student

Students must read and sign the BYOD Student Agreement in the company of a parent or caregiver unless otherwise directed by the Principal.

I agree that I will abide by the school's BYOD policy and that:

- I will use the Department's Wi-Fi network only for learning while at school.
- I will use my device during school activities at the direction of the teacher.
- I will only attach any school-owned equipment to my mobile device with the permission of the school.
- I will use my own portal/internet log-in details and will never share them with others.
- I will stay safe by keeping my personal information to myself when learning online.
- I will not access or bypass any hardware and software security implemented by the Department or my school.
- I will not use my own device to knowingly search for, link to, access or send anything that is offensive, pornographic, threatening, abusive, defamatory or considered to be bullying.
- I will report inappropriate behaviour and inappropriate material to my teacher.
- I understand that my activity on the internet is recorded and that these records may be used in investigations, court proceedings or for other legal reasons.
- I acknowledge that the school cannot be held responsible for any damage to, or theft of my device.
- I understand and have read the limitations of the manufacturer's warranty on my device, both in duration and in coverage.
- I have read the "BYOD Device Specifications and Student Requirements" document (over page) and agree to comply with these.
- I have read and will abide by the NSW Department of Education *Online Communication Services – Acceptable Usage for School Students*. <http://bit.ly/2fkWalS>

Date: ___/___/___

Student name

in the presence of: _____
Parent/caregiver name

Student signature

Parent/caregiver signature

SHANE HOOKWAY
Principal

BYOD Device Specifications and Student Requirements

Wireless connectivity:

The Department's Wi-Fi network installed in high schools operates on **802.11n 2.4 - 5Ghz**. Devices that do not support this range will not be able to connect. Student devices are only permitted to connect to the Department's Wi-Fi network while at school. There is no cost for this service. This network is protected for student use against inappropriate material and students will be in breach of their student agreement to use another network.

Operating system and anti-virus:

The current or prior version of any operating system is required. Students must ensure they have a licensed version of a supported operating system and software. Student devices should be equipped with anti-virus software.

Software and apps:

Any device must have productivity software eg. Microsoft Office or Google Apps. All software and apps should be fully updated prior to coming to school. Google Docs and MS Office 365 are both available for **NO COST** from the DoE portal.

Battery life:

A minimum of 6hrs battery life will be required in order to last the school day. Students must ensure they bring their device to school fully charged. *No charging equipment will be supplied by the school.*

Memory and RAM:

A minimum specification of 16 GB storage and 2 GB RAM to process and store data effectively is required.

Hardware features:

A camera and microphone are useful tools. A reasonable sized screen (a minimum of 9.7") and a sturdy, external keyboard to enable continuous use throughout the day is required. An iPad is not an ideal device for use in a classroom setting.

Other considerations

Casing: Tough and sturdy to avoid breakage. *Weight:* Lightweight for ease of carrying.

Accessories

Carry case: Supply a carry case or skin to protect the device.

Insurance and warranty: Be aware of the terms of insurance policies/warranties for the device. The school will not accept responsibility for loss or breakage.

Back-up storage: Consider a portable hard drive as an appropriate source of back-up storage for essential documents. Students are responsible for backing-up their own data and should ensure this is done regularly.

Theft and damage:

Students are responsible for securing and protecting their devices at school. Any loss or damage to a device is not the responsibility of the school or the Department of Education.

Confiscation:

Students' devices may be confiscated if the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that a device contains offensive data or is being used inappropriately.

Maintenance and support:

Students are solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their devices.

Insurance/warranty: Students and their parents/carers are responsible for arranging their own insurance and should be aware of the warranty conditions for the device.