

**BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (B.Y.O.D) MODELS AND ACCESSORIES**

We appreciate our students are growing up in a world where the use of a personal device is multifaceted. With that in mind, we require Year 9 students bring a laptop to College, and it is recommended that all other Year levels have one to assist them in their studies. This Digital Technology is used as one of a range of tools for learning.

Please read through the specifications, prior to purchasing a new device. Be sure you understand the processes surrounding warranty, replacement and repair through your chosen retailer.

We would recommend a Windows based laptop, rather than a tablet, due to the software and applications used. Our main school wide software is Microsoft Office, but we have additional software that is used in some subjects – such as the Adobe Suite.

The minimum technical requirements are outlined here.

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| **Item** | **Laptop Specification** |
| Operating System | Recommend - Microsoft Windows 10 Laptop |
| Processor | Intel Core i5 minimum, i7 recommended or equivalent |
| Main Memory/RAM | 4 GB minimum  16+ GB recommend for – Digital Technology, Media, Visual Art, DVC |
| SSD | 128 GB minimum (SSD), 256 GB or higher recommended for Digital Technology, Media, Visual Art, DVC |
| Graphics Card | Recommended for Digital Technology, Media, Visual Art, DVC |
| External Ports | 2 (or more) x USB 3.0 |
| Wireless Adapter | Wi-Fi compatible – Update to 802.11n/ac/ax standards are supported Note: 802.11 ac/ax preferred |
| Security | Antivirus Software (Windows Defender is highly recommended) |
| Battery life | Needs to last the school day i.e. 7 hours |
| Screen size | Minimum 11” |

**Other considerations:**

* Weight and portability, especially for juniors. Students carry their device from class to class throughout the day.
* Long battery life (7 hours +) is another major consideration. Students may not be able to charge their device at school and need a device with enough battery to last them the day.
* Robustness - a good quality build with a rugged hard shell provides durability. Hinge mechanisms need to be robust as these can be a point of failure.
* Headphones will be necessary for listening to sound. The device needs a headphone port.
* Virus Protection will be necessary for PC and devices.
* Warranty - students using the device will want faults fixed quickly, having a 2 or 3 year warranty is recommended. The College will not be able to offer repair services.
* Insurance - the College insurance does not cover personal property. You will need to ensure you are covered for replacement if the device is lost, stolen, or damaged.