



Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) 2024

The ability to use technology is becoming increasingly important in the workforce of the 21st Century. In order to support learners in developing these skills Bundaberg North State High School is now a BYOD school with an expectation that every student will bring a device to school that meets the minimum specification to enhance their learning.

If families are unable to provide a device for their child, please make an appointment with the Principal to discuss options.

BYOD Portals

To assist you in purchasing a device, the [Bundaberg North SHS website](#) has purchasing portals from the major computer vendors. By clicking on the links parents/guardians are presented with a range of devices which meet the school's specifications. These portals allow parents/guardians to purchase the devices at education prices and include interest free payment plans to suit any budget.

Emergency Loan

Issues with devices occur from time to time. To support students whose devices have malfunctioned, or have been damaged etc, the school has a small number of emergency loan devices that are available through the school reprographics room. In order to access an emergency loan device parents/guardians are asked to make a request using the application form on our website [Emergency Device Form](#). Emergency loan devices are a daily loan and must be collected from the reprographics room before 8:40am and returned by 3:00pm. These devices are not for overnight loan and must not leave the school grounds.

Office 365

All students in Queensland have free access to the full suite of Microsoft 365 programs. Microsoft 365 allows students and staff to create and share classwork, assessment and other curriculum documents which students can access anywhere via an internet connection 24/7.

Note: Whilst purchased devices will come with trial versions of Microsoft 365 pre-installed, it will expire and ask parents to purchase the programs. See the school website for instructions on how to download and install the Microsoft 365 package without cost.

Minimum device specifications

Bundaberg North's BYOD program operates on a minimum-specification model, which means that no single make of device is preferred over another. Provided the device meets the minimum specifications outlined below, your student's device should connect to the internet via the school's service and allow your student to access sites such as QLearn in every classroom. Devices which do not meet the minimum specifications, usually older devices, may experience difficulties operating within the school. When purchasing a device, please make sure you meet the minimum specifications.

The school will take no responsibility for the repair, maintenance or safety of the student's device and parents should negotiate warranties or insurance with their choice of providers. It is recommended that a protective case/cover be purchased for the device.

Minimum device specifications for BYOD program

Please note:

- **Surface RT, Windows 10S/11S, Google Chrome OS and Android are NOT SUPPORTED Operating Systems. (Devices with Windows 11S, 10S and Windows 8 can be updated)**
- **Devices must have 128GB (minimum) hard drive space.**
- **Microsoft 365 is provided free of charge to students and can be downloaded from the School Web site. Students will be assisted with gaining access to any other subject specific software required.**

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Minimum Specifications (PC)	
Processor type	Dual Core or better
Random Access Memory (RAM)	8Gb RAM
Hard Disk Drive	128GB Hard Disk Storage, minimum (SSD preferred)
Battery Life	6hrs minimum
Screen Size	11" minimum
Operating System	Windows 10 Home / Pro (build 1607+) or later,
Wireless Network Capability	802.11AC – 5Ghz

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Additional Features for PC (* recommended for Graphic Skills, Art or Media students)	
Processor type	*Intel Quad Core i5 or i7 or equivalent.
RAM	*16GB or greater
Battery	8hrs or better
Screen Size	*14" or larger
Hard Disk	SSD (Solid State Drive) minimum 256GB

Apple Devices (minimum specifications)	
MacBook devices	Must be capable of running MAC-OS Version 12 (Monterey) or 13 (Ventura)
Hardware specifications	PC specifications above are applicable when purchasing Apple Mac devices
iPads	Must be capable of running iOS version 12.2 or greater
Storage	64Gb minimum
Screen Size	9.7" or larger (iPad mini is not supported)
Physical Keyboard (recommended)	Either Bluetooth or Apple Smart connector compatible accessory