BYOAD Suitability Requirements 2025

Please ensure your choice of device meets or exceeds the following suitability requirements.
It may be useful to take a copy of this document with you when sourcing a device.

Display

- Minimum screen size of 11.6" with a maximum screen size of 14"
- Touchscreen (recommend active pen/digitiser to assist with college programs)

Battery

- Minimum battery life of 6 hours (recommend 12+ hours)

Operating System

- Windows 10 64bit Home or Professional (Not Windows 10 S) or Windows 11. Mac and Apple operating systems are not supported.

Hard Drive/SSD

- Minimum intel 128GB hard drive. You may choose to go with an SSD as they are faster and more compact but no a necessity and a standard hard drive will suffice.

Random Access Memory (RAM)

- Minimum 8GB RAM

Processor

- Minimum intel i5 or AMD Rysen5
- Intel i7 or AMD Ryzen 7 processors are also a solid option and offer more processing power. Despite using more battery, modern battery technology mitigates this effect.

Network

- STRICTLY no devices with SIM card slots, this includes devices that are LTE, 3G or 4G

Connections

- At least one USB-A port and some form of display output are preferred. If the device does not offer these ports, please source an adapter.
- USB-C ports/Thunderbolt ports are highly recommended as they are becoming the new standard port type, slowly replacing USB-A.
- Wired Headphone port: It is essential for the device to include a port for wired headphones – either USB or Audio Jack. Wireless headphones are not suitable for NAPLAN tests.

Ruggedness

- A protective cover and /or a sleeve is STRONGLY recommended.

Software Considerations

- **Microsoft Office:** The college will provide the student with a licence to use the Office Suite. Parents do not need to purchase Office themselves. They may, however, need to arrange a OneDrive subscription if the student is using it.
- **Antivirus products:** Antivirus is strongly recommended. Although the school's network is secured, it is strongly recommended that each device itself is secured. Trend Micro or Norton 365 are great options.
- **Insurance:** The College strongly recommends families purchase insurance for their child's device, as the College takes no responsibility for student property. We recommend specific insurance for a student device.

Additional Requirements

- **Wired Headphones:** It is necessary to purchase wired headphones that connect to your device by USB or Audio Jack, to ensure compatibility with NAPLAN tests. Wireless headphones cannot be used for these assessments.

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