



**BLACKTOWN GIRLS
HIGH SCHOOL**
A Partially Selective Girls High School

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)



Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) refers to technology models where students bring a personally owned device to school for the purpose of learning. This flyer is a brief introduction to the BYOD program for all year groups.

Why BYOD?

Blacktown Girls High School is committed to 21st Century learning through the integration of technology into all teaching and learning programs. The use of ICT provides the opportunity for learning that stimulates, encourages, differentiates and enriches students' education both at school and at home.

Every student will be required to have a device designated for learning each day. Smartphones and tablets will NOT be recognised as acceptable educational devices. Every device brought in to be used at Blacktown Girls High School must comply with our BYOD Policy & Acceptable Use Agreements.

BYOD Guidelines:

- Every student will be required to have a device designed for learning each day.
- You can choose any laptop that runs on Windows, MAC or Chrome OS.
- No software is required. The device must be able to run Google Chrome.
- Smartphones or tablets will not be recognised as acceptable educational devices for the BYOD program.
- Students are responsible for coming to school with fully charged devices. The battery life of devices should last the duration of the day.



What do I need for BYOD?

See reverse side for tech requirements.



Please note that the below are the minimum specifications for devices. Anything above this will mean the device will likely function better for your child and last longer, as software updates over time are getting larger and use more space and resources.

IDEAL TECH REQUIREMENTS

Device Type	PC / Windows Laptops	Mac Laptops	Chromebooks
Hardware	13" or larger screen recommended	13" or larger screen recommended	10.5" or larger screen recommended
	CPU of 2.5Ghz or greater	CPU of 2.5Ghz or greater	CPU of 1Ghz or greater
	4Gb RAM or greater [8Gb preferred]	4Gb RAM or greater [8Gb preferred]	4 GB RAM or greater
	250 Gb Storage (minimum)	250 Gb Storage (minimum)	32 Gb Storage
	Battery life should be at least 6 hours	Battery life should be at least 6 hours	Battery life should be at least 6 hours
Operating System (OS)	Windows 10 64-bit (minimum)	MacOS 10.13: High Sierra (minimum)	ChromeOS
Browser	Chrome or Edge	Chrome or Safari	Chrome
Wireless	Dual Band Wifi with support for 5GHz 802.11n or higher	Dual Band Wifi with support for 5GHz 802.11n or higher	Dual Band Wifi with support for 5GHz 802.11n or higher
Other Requirements	Up-to-date Antivirus Warranty / Insurance	Up-to-date Antivirus Warranty / Insurance	Up-to-date Antivirus Warranty / Insurance
Required Accessories	Protective case / cover Headphones	Protective case / cover Headphones	Protective case / cover Headphones
Maximum Device Age	3 years	3 years	3 years

- ◆ We recommend strongly you do not purchase an Android tablet or iPad. We have found that these devices lack the ease of use and integration with our classrooms.
- ◆ Laptop or 2-in-1 devices must have a physical keyboard attachment and run one of the specified operating systems.
- ◆ Please note that your child receives FREE Microsoft and Adobe software which is available through student's DET portal login. G-Suite/Google Docs will be the standard productivity package.
- ◆ Please do not provide internet data (via smart phones or 4G/5G dongles), as BGHS provides secure (child safe) internet at school via the Wi-Fi.
- ◆ The below forms will need to be reviewed, signed and returned prior to commencing at BGHS
 - Info Resources BYOD Policy & Acceptable Use Agreement
 - Info Tech Resources Student Agreement