

### Bring Your Own Device

The BYOD program aims to introduce students to a diverse range of teaching and learning opportunities to prepare them for a digital-rich future. The College has been well positioned to provide effective ICT infrastructure to support this program by offering full wireless coverage to our students. To ensure every student is equipped with the 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills required for the future, MSSC recommends parents/caregivers to support the BYOD program for their child.

BYOD Program	
Year 7 – 9	iPad Device
Year 10 - 12	iPad, Windows or Mac Device (based on subject selection)

### **Device Requirements**

The College recommends that a device be chosen that meets the minimum specifications below and enables suitability for curriculum-based activities. Student subject choices and interests should be considered when deciding on a device. Other considerations (for example: amount of typing, multitasking and handwriting recognition) should be made when choosing between an iPad, Windows device or a MacBook is outlined in the <u>MSSC Student BYOD Charter Agreement</u> on the College website. The College also had worked with suppliers to provide competitive pricing through their <u>Purchasing Portals</u>. <u>Important:</u> The Department of Education does not support Android devices including <u>Chromebooks</u>

#### iPad

- iPad 7<sup>th</sup> Gen (2019) or newer (iPad Mini is not supported)
- iPad Pro 10.5" (2017) or Newer
- 32gb or greater storage
- Supports iOS 17 or newer

#### Windows

- Minimum Specifications
- Windows 10 or 11
- 11" or greater screen size
- Intel Pentium or AMD equivalent Processor, 256gb Hard drive, 8gb Memory <u>Recommended Specifications</u>
- Intel i3 to i5 Processor, 256gb SSD, 8gb Memory

#### MacBook

- Compatible with OS version Monterey (12) or newer
- MacBook models from 2016 or later
- MacBook Air models from 2015 or later
- MacBook Pro models from 2015 or later

### Frequently Asked Questions

### Whose responsibility is the device?

The student is responsible for the device. MSSC is not liable for any damage or loss and it is recommended that the parents/caregivers add the device to their home and contents insurance. Will Murrumba State Secondary College take any

### responsibility for non-school data 'lost'?

No. Students assume ultimate responsibility for their own data files and should back up their data at least once week in order to effectively protect their information.

## Will an internet filter be installed on the BYOD device?

No. The BYOD device does not have a filter installed; however, students are automatically filtered when they connect at the College by the Managed Internet Service (MIS).

## Can I purchase mobile internet for my child to use at school?

No. Students have full network access almost anywhere on College grounds. The use of a portable hotspots means students can get access to an unfiltered and unprotected internet access.

### Does the device require antivirus software?

The department recommends Windows Defender that comes built-in to Windows 10 & 11. Other antivirus can work with the College network. Please check with BYOD staff prior to purchasing.

# Can my child install their own computer games and other personal software?

Yes. It is recommended they **own** the software before installing it on their device, all software and content must be appropriate and aligned to the BYOD Acceptable Use policy.

#### Will students have access to technical support?

No. IT technicians can provide limited technical support regarding College connectivity, however, due to liability issues IT technicians or teachers will not be able to provide any further support on student owned devices.

### Can students still access Microsoft Office 365?

Yes. Students can also download Microsoft Office 2016 free of charge on up to five tablets/smartphones and five compatible PCs and Macs. To download onto a tablet simply download the app and sign in with the student's school email address. For PC and Mac, visit portal.office.com and login using the student's school email address and follow onscreen process.

# Who can I contact at MSSC regarding the BYOD program?

For further information contact Rhiann Nelson (Leader of Learning - eLearning) on 07 3490 3222 or email byod@murrumbassc.eq.edu.au regarding the BYOD program.

### More Questions?

More information can be found on the college website can be found using the URL or QR below:

https://murrumbassc.eq.edu.au/ourcurriculum/BringYourOwnDevice

