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eLEARNING – BRING YOUR OWN (BYO) Device Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Does Nambour State College have a "bring your own" device program for students?

YES

What year levels can be in this program?

Required for students in years 7,8, 9, 10, 11 & 12

What type of device can students bring?

Windows or MacBook device is highly recommended. iPads are allowed but may have limited functionality.

Can students bring iPads or tablets devices?

YES – students can use an iPad but only have access to Internet (no network or printing access).

Is it different for a student doing a specialist subject e.g., Film TV & New Media, graphics?

YES – a high end device capable of handling Adobe Premiere Pro or AUTOCAD is required. High end processor, 8GB RAM and large hard drive (500GB+). Contact the school for more detail. An iPad is unlikely to meet his requirement.

What software will students need to have installed on their BYO device?

- Antivirus with current definitions (student & parent / caregiver responsibility)
- Microsoft Office Free to download for all EQ students
- Adobe Creative Cloud Master Collection trial versions available to download from the Adobe website and serialised by staff in ICT support (included in the cost of the BYO program)
- There is no app list for iPads

Is there a cost?

YES - Annual cost included in Student Resource Scheme.

Do I need to update my computer before bringing to ICT support ?

YES - You should update your windows or MacOS software at home on a regular basis. Doing this at school uses internet bandwidth and delays the onboarding process.





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Who is responsible for the security integrity, insurance and maintenance of their personal devices and their private network accounts?

Students and parents / care givers. Parents will need a protective hardcase to prevent damage. Teachers will be working with students to develop acceptable classroom usage rules for use of devices.

Will the college help students to connect to college wireless network?

YES – the college has a staff "hands off" policy with regards to student devices. They will only assist students to connect but are not allowed to work directly on student devices. Student devices will need to be maintained by arrangements made by the student or parent / caregiver.

If a student BYO device has a hardware or software problem can it be brought to ICT support for help?

NO – student devices will need to be maintained by arrangements made by the student or parent / caregiver. ICT support will only assist with connection to the school network.

If a student does not want to bring their own device can they borrow one from the college?

NO – a college Take Home program is not available.

If a student does not bring either a student BYO how will they have access to computers at college?

YES – the college will continue to maintain and replace an "equity" fleet of a range of devices for classroom use.

If a student has a BYO device are they expected to bring it every day?

YES – All students are expected to their device in all of their classes. Bringing a device is important! Every subject (7-12) has an online eLearning environment where teachers share resources, assessment and interactive activities related to that subject.

When can a student use their BYO device?

College Student Charter states that "it is up to the classroom teacher when these devices are allowed to be used". Non-compliance or misuse of the device may lead to further consequences in line with the college Behaviour Management policies.

Does the Education Queensland filtering apply to a BYO device?

The Education Queensland filtering ALWAYS applies when connected to the college network (including college and BYO devices). BYO devices are not filtered at home. Students should not "hot spot" their devices to avoid using the MIS filtering.

