



James Nash State High School

Bring Your Own Device BYOD Senior School Computer Program

The James Nash State High School community has adopted eLearning in a 1:1 student to device ratio, as a best practice model for Senior School education. As a consequence of the discontinuation of the Federal Government National Computer Fund program (NSSCF), the school has engaged with Department of Education processes to design and implement a new program, "Bring Your Own Device" (BYOD), to support this learning model in the senior school.

From 2016 students in Years 10,11 & 12 will be required to supply their own computing device to support their learning program. When approved for access and correctly configured, student devices will be able to wirelessly connect to the school's network while at school, allowing access to filtered Internet, intranet of learning resources, printers and data storage systems. The device must have a Windows Operating System in order to correctly connect with the school's network, preferably Windows 10, but no earlier than Windows 7. Device specifications can be found on the website and will depend on the student's subject requirements. This information can be found in the Subject Handbook, or alternatively, in the BYOD link – *Device Use In Each Faculty*. There is also a FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) section under the BYOD link and some information is also included in the Textbook and stationary list.

The school website also has a number of vendor portals which provide simplified purchasing options. Warranty issues relating to BYOD devices will be handled independently of the school as per the warranty agreement between the vendor of the hardware and the purchaser. School technicians will give assistance, information and advice to users but cannot physically engage with repair or adjustment of privately owned computer devices.

Students are entitled to install at no cost, Microsoft's *Office 365 Student Advantage Package*, *Adobe Creative Suite* and *Atomic Learning*. In order for students to access the BYOD school network their device must have *Norton Symantec with Backup* installed and operating. This can be purchased online with a yearly subscription of approximately \$10. A link and instructions are provided on the school website about how to install *Office 365* and *Norton Symantec with Backup*.

The BYOD Technical Solution which supports the logon of non-school owned devices to the school network is a complex system. In order to be granted approval to connect to the BYOD service at school students are required to complete an orientation program and sign off on the Student BYOD charter and responsible use agreement form. Also, a yearly BYOD license fee (approximately \$18) is payable for each student accessing the BYOD service. NB. the school has decided to absorb this fee in 2016. Please find and complete the Student BYOD charter and responsible use agreement form in our enrolment package for Senior school students.

For information regarding questions not covered in the FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) section under the BYOD link, contact the Head of Department Information Technology for further information and support.