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Introduction

The Horsham College Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program was introduced in 2016 to enable students to have their own digital device while giving flexibility of choice. In 2021 Horsham College began a large transition away from iPads to Notebooks, to enable a more varied approach to new skills. In 2025 all school years at Horsham College will be part of the Notebook Program. Students will ideally acquire a Windows notebook device less than two years old. Chromebooks, Apple MacBooks and Apple iPads can only be supported for basic functions and are no longer recommended.

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About BYOD

BYOD is a very commonly adopted system utilised by schools, universities and some workplaces to enable individuals to have a choice to choose the device they are most familiar and comfortable working with.

How does the BYOD Program work?

All students are required to bring their notebook charged ready for use each day, Horsham College recommend devices meet our minimum specifications.

How do I purchase a device?

There are several options when purchasing a device:

1. A device can be purchased through our BYOD partner portals.

    Website: https://byod.jbhifi.education/
    School Code: Horc2025

    Year 7-9: https://hc7-9.orderportal.com.au/

    Year 10-12: https://hc10-12.orderportal.com.au/

2. A device purchased from a Local Supplier

    We encourage all parents to support local suppliers to benefit our local community, the following are some local suppliers who could be approached….

If you are unsure about which device you should choose, ordering from one of the BYOD portals guarantees an appropriate device.

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3. Insurance

Accidents happen and that's why it's highly recommended that accidental damage cover is added with your purchase. This can be done through the supplier or your personal insurance.

Recommended Device Specifications

Recommended for **Years 7 - 9**

	Intel Device	AMD Device
CPU options	Intel i5 11th gen or greater Intel i7 11th gen or greater	Ryzen 5 Ryzen 7
RAM	Minimum 8gb	Minimum 8gb
Storage Space	Minimum 256gb SSD	Minimum 256gb SSD
Operating System	Windows 11	Windows 11
Screen	Minimum 11" size, max 15" (touchscreen preferred)	Minimum 11" size, max 15" (touchscreen preferred)

Recommended for **Years 10 - 12**

	Windows Device	AMD Device
CPU	Intel i5 13th gen or greater Intel i7 13th gen or greater	Ryzen 5 Ryzen 7 Ryzen 9
RAM	Recommended 16GB	Recommended 16GB
Storage Space	Recommended 512GB SSD	Recommended 512GB SSD
Operating System	Windows 11	Windows 11
Screen Size	Recommended 13" – 15" (minimum 1920x1080 resolution)	Recommended 13" – 15" (minimum 1920x1080 resolution)

Acceptable Use & BYOD Agreement

Students and parents must read and sign the Acceptable Use Agreement in order to gain access to the Horsham college network and IT services.

The Acceptable Use Agreement can be found on the Horsham college website Here:

https://www.horsham-college.vic.edu.au/teaching-learning/specialised-programs/byod-program/

IT Support

Horsham College has onsite IT Support 5 days a week. The IT office is located across from the Year 7 Office in M Building and is open to support Parents/Guardians and Students with any IT Related Issues.

IT Support Staff are available by Phone: 03 5381 7183

Email: 8818-helpdesk@horsham-college.vic.edu.au