



BYOD HANDBOOK

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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 2026 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: horc2026



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.



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 11 th gen or greater Intel i7 11 th 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 13 th gen or greater Intel i7 13 th 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" (1920x1080 resolution) | Recommended 13" – 15" (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