ESPERANCE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
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Bring Your Own Device Program 2027

Dear Parent/Guardian,

• We are asking that all Year 10, 11 and 12 students bring a personal computing device to school each day.

• The device will need to support the Microsoft Office Suite. Microsoft Office is free to Department of Education students.

• Students studying specialist subjects that need specialist software will still be provided with access to that software in computer labs at school. There is no need to purchase additional software.

• In general, the higher the specifications, the better a device will perform. Higher specifications would be needed to support specialist software. Higher specifications aid with the longevity of a device.

• We recommend purchasing an extended warranty for the device.

• We recommend the device has a keyboard.

• We recommend insuring the device. A personal device is not covered in any way by Department of Education insurance.

The program is not compulsory. Students unable to provide a device will be able to loan a device. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school on 90719555.

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BYOD Program Frequently Asked Questions

My child is in Year 10, 11 or 12 in 2027. If I don't provide a device will my child be provided with a school device to use?
Yes. The school will ensure that students have access to loan devices during the school day so they can maintain their educational program requirements. These devices will need to be borrowed and suitably cared for by students.

Is the program compulsory?

No, however we highly encourage students to bring their own device in preparation for post – school usage. A school-owned loan device will be provided in the instance where a student does not have their own device to utilise (i.e., it is being repaired, left at home etc.)

When should I start looking at device options and make a decision?
Given the global delays with manufacturing and delivery of electronic devices, the school encourages families to commence the process of deciding on a device that suits their needs, budget, and specification requirements ASAP.

I have a notebook computer already – can I use it at the school?
Yes. We encourage all students to bring a device but remind you that the device needs to be able to support the Microsoft Office Suite and browse the Internet. A device with a keyboard is strongly recommended.

Is a Smart Phone sufficient?
No. these devices do not meet the specifications required for students to engage in all aspects of the learning programs.

If my device is damaged at the school, will it be covered under the Department's insurance?
No. It is highly recommended insurance options are investigated prior to coming to the school. Deliberate acts of vandalism by other students will be followed up via the school's behaviour management processes.

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BYOD Policy

The BYOD Program

It is expected that these devices will be used by students for educational purposes and in accordance with school policies and rules.
To ensure that the device is used effectively and appropriately in a school environment, school policies and rules specific to the use of the device may change over time.

To participate in the program, you must:
Complete, sign and return the **BYOD Acceptable Use Agreement Form (on reverse side of this Policy)** by the date indicated on the form.

Expectations at School

While at the school, students are expected to:

- Use the device in a responsible manner adhering to the BYOD Policy.
- Access the Internet using the school's WIFI. Students are not permitted to connect to the Internet using a mobile phone hotspot. This is to meet Department of Education Internet monitoring standards.
- The normal "Off and Away" policy that exists for mobile phones will also apply to device use. Students that wish to use their device for study during break times can do so in the library.
- Comply with 'in use' or 'not in use' instructions from teachers. Teachers will decide when students are to use the device in class.
- Use the device for educational purposes in line with the school learning programs,
- Do not leave the device unattended and ensure general safekeeping.
- Take personal responsibility of the device by not allowing others to use it,
- Ensure that the device and all additional components (carry case, charging cables etc) are clearly labelled.

Cybersafety

Students must maintain safe and responsible use of the internet and social networking sites. The school will maintain filtering, monitoring, and logging systems, recording all activity and content accessed by students at school.

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BYOD Acceptable Use Agreement Form

Please return your completed agreement to your Year Coordinator before the **end of Week 2, Term 1.**

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian (Please respond with a tick ✔)

☐ I have read the **BYOD Policy** and fully understand the conditions and expectations governing the use of the device.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Student (Please respond with a tick ✔)

☐ I have read the **BYOD Policy** and fully understand the conditions and expectations governing the use of the device.

Student Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / _____

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