Western Port Secondary College - 2025 Bring Your Own Device Requirements

SUMMARY

This document provides the information required to select a suitable 'Bring Your Own' Device (BYOD) to ensure all students have a standardized and satisfactory user experience while using ICT at Western Port Secondary College.

All students are to read, understand and sign the 'Internet and Digital Technologies Acceptable Use Agreement' before any device can be accessed.

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SUPPORTED DEVICES

Windows Devices

RESOURCE	MINIMUM REQUIRED
Operating System	Windows 11 Professional / Education or greater
	Please note: Some features of Microsoft Intune are not supported by Windows 11 Home edition. Windows 10 will reach end of support from October 14, 2025.
Processor (CPU)	Intel Celeron
,	Core i3 or greater recommended
Memory (RAM)	4GB or greater
	8GB or greater recommended
Hard Drive Capacity	128GB Solid State Drive (SSD)
	256GB Solid State Drive or greater recommended
Screen Size	11.6 inch or greater
Battery Life	8 hours or greater
Wi-Fi	802.11ac or greater
	Intel Chipset reccomended
Extras	Protective bag or carry case
	Physical keyboard (For tablet devices)

Apple MacBook

RESOURCE	MINIMUM REQUIRED
Operating System	macOS Version 15 (Sequioa) or greater
	Please note:
	Devices not compatible with the latest macOS release may not support required software applications and will not be supported by the College.
Processor (CPU)	Apple M1 or greater
Memory (RAM)	4GB or greater
Hard Drive Capacity	256GB or greater
Screen Size	11.6 inch or greater
Battery Life	8 hours or greater
Wi-Fi	802.11ac or greater
Extras	Protective bag or carry case

Apple iPad

RESOURCE	MINIMUM REQUIRED
Supported devices	iPad Pro 3 rd Generation (2018+) iPad Air 3 rd Generation (2019+) iPad (2019+) iPad OS 18 or newer Please note: iPad's must be supported by the latest iPadOS release. Once an iPad no longer receives security updates, it is considered end-of-life. This typically happens around 5 years after the device's release (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IPad#Overview) Devices not compatible with the latest iPadOS release may not support required software applications and will not be supported by the College.
Extras	Protective bag or carry case An AppleID must be configured to download and install applications

WIRELESS ACCESS

Wireless (Wi-Fi) network access will be provided to all students that complete and return the 'Internet and Digital Technologies Acceptable Use Agreement' acceptance with Microsoft Endpoint Management enrolled devices.

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Microsoft Office

Microsoft Office 365 will be provided to all students who have a returned a completed 'Internet and Digital Technologies Acceptable Use Agreement' acceptance.

Western Port Secondary College provide access to Microsoft 365. This private tenant is located within Australia, and all data is stored securely by Microsoft.

Consenting to this service will enable the use of:

- Exchange Online, which includes email, calendar, contacts, 50GB mailboxes
- Students are also offered access to OneDrive for Business that gives students up to 5TB of online cloud storage.
- Office Web Apps allows students to create and edit Word, OneNote, PowerPoint, and Excel documents from any modern browser.
 - An Apple ID is also required for installing Microsoft Office 365 onto iPads.

Microsoft Endpoint Manager

Endpoint Manager, formally known as Intune, is a Mobile Device Management (MDM) solution from Microsoft. This MDM allows Western Port Secondary College to provide a higher level of support and management to enrolled BYO Devices.

Enrolled devices will have access to features such as:

- Customised Software Portal (Automatic or manual installations)
- Automatic installation of required settings
- Operating System Update management
- Security Baseline Configuration

Devices will be enrolled during the activation of the Microsoft Office suite, signing into the Microsoft Company Portal application, or by connecting a 'Work or School Account'.

Antivirus/Anti0Malware

Some security features, such as VPNs or custom DNS, may not be compatible with the College network and may be disabled.

Virus/Malware removal, and software configuration will be the responsibility of the owner with the devices being removed from school resources until the issue has been resolved.

Additional Software

Additional software will be provided to all students that complete the 'Internet and Digital Technologies Acceptable Use Agreement' with Microsoft Endpoint Management enrolled devices.

Additional Software can be installed through the Microsoft 'Company Portal' application included with Microsoft Endpoint Management. This portal is a self-service software portal including a selection of approved software for use at the College.

UNSUPPORTED DEVICES

Western Port Secondary College cannot guarantee a satisfactory user experience on the following devices, and as such will not be supported:

- Smartphones*
- Chromebook
- Android Devices
- iPods
- iPad Mini
- Kindles
- Handheld Gaming Devices
- Linux Distributions

Many devices targeted for use at home do not support enterprise-level wireless networks and therefore cannot be connected at Western Port Secondary College.

*More information on the use of mobile phones can be found here: https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/students-using-mobile-phones/policy

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

User Data

All data stored on the BYOD device is the responsibility of the owner. Therefore, all backups are to be completed by the user. Western Port Secondary College will not be responsible for any data loss that is caused by data corruption or hardware failure. It is recommended that all school-related data be stored in the provided OneDrive cloud storage.

Warranty

Be aware of what your device warranty does and does not cover. Many warranties do not include physical damage. Consider protecting your device with an extended or additional warranty. All damage and warranty claims will be the responsibility of the owner.

Device Insurance

Consider insuring your device against damage and theft. The Department of Education and Training Victoria (DET) does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and has no capacity to pay for such a loss. Western Port Secondary College accepts no responsibility for damage, loss or repair to the device.

Device Charging

Students WILL NOT be permitted to charge their devices during the school day. Students are expected to have their devices fully charged upon arriving at school in the morning.