Newtown High School of the Performing Arts



Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Device Specification

Hardware Specifications

The device must meet all of the following requirements:

Form Factor	Laptop Notes: SMART phones and tablets are not considered to be an appropriate devices.
Wireless Compatibility	Device must have 5GHz 802.11n support Note: Please check that your device meets this requirement. A USB network dongle may be required in order to meet this specification. The supply and purchase of this device is the responsibility of the device owner.

Software Specifications

The device should meet the following requirements:

Operating System	 Microsoft Windows 8.1, 10 or 11 Apple Mac OS X 10.13 or newer
Web Browsers	Chrome, Microsoft Edge, Firefox or Safari
Word Processing	Microsoft Office and/or Google Suite. Microsoft Office is available for free to students (see Free Software for Students).
Anti-Virus/Malware	Any up-to-date virus/anti-malware package eg. Windows Defender.
Free Software for Students	As part of the DoE's Enterprise agreement with Adobe and Microsoft, students can download and install Adobe Creative Cloud, Microsoft Office for free on one personally owned device. Refer to the school's BYOD website for more information.

Additional Considerations

The following are *not requirements* of the Bring Your Own Device program, but are considerations:

Recommendations	 Weigh no more than 1.5kg. Recommended RAM – 8GB A Solid State Drive - 250GB minimum Battery life of at least six hours as there will not be facilities for charging the device at school.
Considerations	Accidental loss and breakage insuranceProtective cover or case
Graphics	• Beyond Year 7, some elective subjects may require additional subject specific software such as Adobe Creative Suite which is available to students for free (see Free Software for Students).