



Mount St Joseph BYOD Requirements and Specifications 2024

Students must bring their own device for use at school.

Required Device for all years: Laptop computer - Windows or Macbook.

The demands of curriculum in high school years vary significantly to those in primary school. With a more sustained involvement in product and document creation, students require easy multitasking and access to both Web 2.0 apps and applications that may be utilised in more specialised subject areas. Based on the experience of previous trials and feedback, laptops have been found to offer versatile functionality, speed and connectivity.

Unacceptable devices:

Android devices are not compatible with NAPLAN online and are therefore not a suitable option as a personal learning device.

Essential information:

- It is essential that students bring their device, charged, to every class, every day.
- No ICT support will be provided by the School for BYOD devices apart from support for connection to the school's secure wireless network.
- Technology issues, including those with BYOD devices, will not provide grounds for appeal regarding assessments. It is each individual student's responsibility to back up their work and/or store it in the Cloud and keep their device in good condition.
- Use of the personal learning device must be within the MSJ BYOD and Acceptable Use Policy.

Physical Requirements of all devices:

Battery Life:	Over 6 hours
Screen Size:	Minimum of 11.1" (Touchscreen 2 in 1 flip convertible with stylus preferred)
Wireless Capability:	The device must support a 5 GHz wireless network.
RAM:	8GB+ is recommended
Storage:	128GB+ is recommended
Processor:	iCore 5 or above is recommended or equivalent

Additional Requirements:

Accessories:

- Case - must be protective, preferably hard. This must be a carry case, not just a shell for the device.
- On-site warranty for the useful life of the device - i.e. 3 years for laptops. This means purchasing an Extended Warranty or AppleCare when purchasing your device.
- Headphones (must not be Bluetooth)
- Bluetooth stylus "Pen" (only if compatible with chosen device).

Software:

- Operating system: the device must be running the current or immediately previous version of either Microsoft Windows or Apple Mac OS X.
- Browser: Chrome must be installed, and one other e.g. Firefox, Internet Explorer, Safari
- Anti-virus software