



BYOD Requirements

Bass Coast College has implemented a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) policy for student computers. Students can bring any portable computer into the school, as long as it meets certain basic requirements. This device can be purchased from anywhere you like. **It is recommended that all students have their own portable computer for use in and out of school.**

It will not be a requirement that students have their own device; however, it is highly recommended. If you plan to purchase a unit other than the model available through the school, you should first consult with one of our technical staff as there are some units which should be avoided.

PC Requirements:

Computers can either be a Windows or Mac operating system, but need to meet minimum requirements so that they can connect to the school eduSTAR wireless network and perform daily tasks in the classroom, these are:

- **Operating System:** Minimum, Mac OS X 10.13 (High Sierra) or higher, Windows 1 or higher.
- **Processor:** Minimum – Modern Dual Core or higher.
- **Memory (RAM):** Minimum – 4GB or higher, 8GB is now highly recommended.
- **Hard Drive:** Minimum - 120GB or higher.
- **Battery Life:** Minimum – 6HRS or higher.

Please Note:

If the computer does not meet these requirements BCC cannot guarantee that it will perform daily classroom tasks or connect to the school network adequately.

Because of warranty provisions of purchased computers, support from the school IT Department may be restricted. We will provide assistance with technical issues, such as ensuring that the student's device connects to the wi-fi network and all available services such as email and printing. The IT Department will not undertake mechanical repairs. All devices should be under warranty, so any technical faults will be addressed under the terms of the warranty, meaning that parents/families are responsible for having devices repaired.

PLEASE NOTE: Chromebooks are not recommended as they do not run the software required.

All computers on the school network need to have an antivirus protection installed, BCC can provide an antivirus for Windows and Mac computers, it is **NOT** required to be purchased.

Microsoft Office is required to be able to complete school tasks on the student computer, BCC can install this on student laptops for free, it is **NOT** required to be purchased.

Most full-size laptops battery life last for approximately 3 hours. BCC recommends a netbook or ultrabook which have a longer life battery.

Most retail computers have a 1-year warranty. It will be up to parents whether they extend the manufacturer's warranty.

If you have any queries, please phone the General Office of any campus, and ask for the IT Department.