

# 2022 Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program

## BYOD Student Requirements

Santa Sophia Catholic College recommends the use of an Apple Macbook Air as a BYOD. However, as an entry-level option, an Apple Macbook already owned by your family may be used at school.

The minimum specifications for school use are:

- Operating System: macOS 10.14 Mojave, macOS 10.15 Catalina, macOS 10.16 Big Sur
- Wireless connectivity: Dual-band wireless frequencies (2.5GHz and 5GHz), **802.11 'a', 'g', 'n' and/or 'ac' wireless standards**, WPA2 enterprise security
- Screen size: Ensure that screen size is **not less than 9 inches (23cm measured diagonally)** and a resolution of **600 dpi** to enable ease of use throughout the school day
- Hardware features: A photo/video camera and microphone to ensure students can participate in 21st-century learning activities
- Battery life: **Minimum of 6hrs battery life**, the device needs to last a full school day
- Storage: Minimum 128GB
- Memory: Minimum 8GB

## Other Considerations

- A **tough**, sturdy cover/case in the event that the device is dropped
- **Light** enough for your child to carry each day
- **Insurance** in the event the device is broken or lost
- **Extra warranty** to reduce future possible repair costs

If purchasing a new Apple laptop for your child, the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) has established purchasing portals with Apple Australia, CompNow and ASI Solutions. The CEDP BYOD portal can be accessed at [byod.parra.catholic.edu.au](http://byod.parra.catholic.edu.au)

## Technical Support and Maintenance

- The College ICT team will assist students with any technical difficulties they may experience at school.
- The College requires software to be installed for network compliance. This will take place at school after the student has commenced enrolment.  
For the sake of compliance on CEDP's network, we ask that you do not install any network restriction/monitoring or VPN software as it can conflict with our own monitoring services and impair classroom learning.

## Acceptable Use at School

- All families and students are required to sign an 'Acceptable Use Agreement' prior to the laptop being connected to the college network. The agreement will be issued to families with the offer of enrolment.