BYO Device Shopping Checklist

☐ The device meets the minimum requirements. (Details over the page)

☐ I have researched and sourced information about the manufacturer's warranty and its conditions and/or limitations?

☐ I have explored insurance options or accidental damage policies for the device. We advise that you consider insurance & accidental damage policies when purchasing a device.

☐ I have researched after sales support, including phone support and next day warranty claims and servicing?

☐ I have located and purchased a protective case/bag for the device?

Windows Operating Systems or Apple OSX?

While our minimum specifications on the following page mention Apple operating systems, we often get the question which device, Apple or Microsoft Windows, works best in our IT environment? Both operating systems will work on our network, however Microsoft Windows does have full functionality when it comes to network drive access and printing services. Microsoft Windows devices also onboard easily with minimal, if any, errors. While we can connect Apple operating systems, their functionality is limited in comparison to Microsoft Windows and the onboarding errors and ongoing troubleshooting does occur more often. Students with Microsoft Windows devices experience a more seamless onboarding and user experience in our IT environment.

Please be sure to read the entire Student BYOD Charter on our website prior to making a purchase. You can access this document using the link below

https://tinyurl.com/byodcharter2021

Please turn the page over to peruse the minimum specifications for an "Entry Level Laptop" and a "Higher Level Laptop"

Entry Level Laptop Minimum specifications

Operating system: MacOS - Mojave or above (10.14+) Windows – 10 (Build 1709+)	**Storage** A minimum of 128GB (SSD recommended)
CPU (Central Processing Unit) Any dual core or greater CPU	**Networking (Wi-Fi)** Dual Band Wi-Fi 5GHz (802.11ac)
GPU (Graphics Processing Unit) No GPU is required for entry level devices	**Ports** Minimum of 2 USB 3.0 ports
Memory (RAM) 4GB of RAM	**Battery** 7 hours of consistent battery life.
Screen Minimum of 13.3 inches in diameter	**Input Devices** A fully functioning keyboard and touchpad.

Higher Level Laptop Minimum specifications

Operating system: MacOS - Mojave or above (10.14+) Windows – 10 (Build 1709+)	**Storage** 256GB or greater (SSD recommended)
CPU (Central Processing Unit) Intel "i" Series (Quad Core) or AMD Ryzen Series (Quad Core)	**Networking (Wi-Fi)** Dual Band Wi-Fi 5GHz (802.11ac)
GPU (Graphics Processing Unit) Minimum of 2GB memory or greater	**Ports** Minimum of 2 USB 3.0 ports
Memory (RAM) 8GB of RAM or greater	**Battery** 7 hours of consistent battery life.
Screen Minimum of 13.3 inches in diameter	**Input Devices** A fully functioning keyboard and touchpad.

CHROME NOTEBOOKS WILL NOT WORK WITH OUR NETWORK.

WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THE PURCHASE OF IPADS OR ANDROID TABLETS.