



BYOD Policy

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DONALD HIGH SCHOOL: BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE POLICY

Rationale:

At Donald High School we encourage a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program to support student use of technology and learning. This program is aimed at ensuring that students have full access to computer technologies at all times.

The school provision model of supplying technology resources is no longer a model that can meet the demands of teachers and students. We simply do not have the resources to provide all classes with devices, on all occasions, when they are required. Our goal is to maximise student learning and this can only be achieved when all students and teachers have access to the same technology resources at the time they are required.

In our progressive and technological world, mobile computers have become a vital tool of trade, and this is no different in schools. For classes to run effectively and for students to optimise their learning we believe that computer devices have become an individual necessity. It is for this reason we strongly encourage all families and students from years 7-12 to engage in the BYOD program.

What is BYOD?

Bring Your Own Device or BYOD refers to a student bringing their own lap top computer to school for the purpose of learning.

Our Aim

Our aim is to achieve the objective of every student in every class having access to a computer 100% of the time they are at school.

Equity and BYOD

Donald High School will provide access to technology for all families regardless of their financial situation. To achieve our goal, we need families to support the BYOD program. Those who are unable to purchase their own laptop will have access to the school computers during class time, however, on occasions these resources will be stretched and limited due to demand.

Suggested specifications

Great: Mid range Apple or Windows Notebooks (est\$1100 - \$1800)

- 256 GB storage
- 8GB memory(RAM)
- Operating systems MacOS Sequoia/Windows 11
- 6 hour battery life

Good: Basic Windows Notebook (est\$800 - \$1000)

- 128 GB storage
- 6GB memory(RAM)
- Operating systems MacOS Sequoia/Windows 11
- 6 hour battery life

Not recommended:Apple Ipad(est \$600)

- 64 GB storage
- A physical keyboard
- Operating systems iPadOS18
- 6 hour battery life

While iPads can be used for most things certain Apps are not supported.

Note:When purchasing you are not required to purchase any extra special software. All of the school's applications are supplied by the Department of Education and can be loaded by our IT person. Eg:

- Anti-virus software
- Microsoft 365
- Adobe services
- Minecraft

Student responsibilities

- Students are expected to bring the device charged and in a protective cover.
- Use the device to communicate and record their ideas
- Be able to use the device to assist their ability to source information and think critically
- Present work
- Source information that extends and challenges theory thinking and that can be used to satisfy work outcomes.
- Use the device in an educationally appropriate manner
- Not to disclose or share own or others portal/internet log in details
- Not to hack or bypass any hardware or software
- Not to knowingly use the device to search for, access or send anything that is:
 - Offensive
 - Pornographic
 - Threatening
 - Abusive
 - Defamatory
- Agree not to give out personal information to strangers.
- Ensure the device is always safe and secure
- Acknowledge that school is not responsible for any damage or theft of their device
- Students will be held responsible if they cause damage to another student's device
- The student agreement must be signed by a parent or carer before the student brings their device to school
- Use devices according to the schools Acceptable Use agreement and Department of Education policies

Acceptable Use Agreement

Student and parents/guardians are required to complete and return and Acceptable Use Agreement before a student's device can be connected to the school server.

Communication

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- available on the website
- discussed at parent information nights
- student forums and assembly's
- a hard copy is available on request

Further information

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following policies:

- Donald High School Acceptable User Agreement
- Donald High School Digital Learning and ICT use policy (internet, social media and digital devices)
- Student Welfare, Wellbeing and Engagement Policy

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ICLT Acceptable User Agreement

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Parental Consent to Use the Internet and other Information, Communication and Learning Technology Devices (ICLT) - including mobile phones.

Dear Parents/Guardians

With your permission, your child may be involved in exciting projects this year using the Internet or other ICLT devices. Your child will have access to anyone in the world with an Internet account. Along with this privilege we will expect your child to show respect for the technology and use it appropriately {*according to the Cybersafe Safety Policy and expectations for the use of ICLT devices*} or they will forfeit this opportunity. Your child may be involved in sending emails or producing World Wide Web pages. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the school.

Parental Permission

I have read and understand the Donald High School Cybersafe Policy and agree to support the policy guidelines. After reading the attached material I **give / do not give** permission for

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Student Name

to access, produce and communicate information using ICLT devices. This includes the use of the internet. I understand and agree that the misuse of the privilege by my child will result in suspension of their access privileges to the Internet or other ICLT devices for up to 100 school days, or confiscation of the device as outlined in the policy.

Parent Signature:

Student's Undertaking for the Use of the Internet and other ICLT Devices

I,.....of Year.....agree to obey all the rules associated with the use of ICLT devices and the Internet at school. I also understand that if I breach these rules, I will be banned from using the Internet facility or other ICLT devices at school for up to 100 school days. In the case of mobile phone misuse I agree to the consequences outlined in the mobile phone policy.

Signed: Date.....
(Student)

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO SCHOOL ASAP