UYSC
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

PROGRAM
2019

UPPER YARRA
SECONDARY COLLEGE

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Upper Yarra Secondary College aims to provide students with an education that is inclusive, creative and challenging. One that recognises the significant role technology can play in the teaching and learning process.

Digital Learning is no longer something new. It is a fact of life. The world that we live and work in requires students to have a range of digital skills. These complement our strong focus on literacy and numeracy skills.

At school, students use a range of devices including Chromebooks, iPads, Windows-based notebooks and desktops and participate in the **Upper Yarra Secondary College BYOD Program.**

Bring Your Own Device Program 2019

The BYOD Program gives UYSC students access to a personal mobile device to enhance their learning opportunities.

Year 7 students are expected to purchase a recommended school device. Families have a few choices as to the device, accessories, duration of insurance, and payment method. These are available through JBHiFi BYOD Online.

The JBHiFi BYOD portal provides parents with access to specific devices approved to work within UYSC's ICT infrastructure. This portal gives Parents access to:

- Education specific products, not available in retail stores

- Products carefully selected and approved for use by our school

- Education specific online pricing

- An extensive range of warranties

- Credit Card and BPay

- Interest free finance options *(Leasing can be a smart solution - keep up-to-date with the latest technology, without impacting cash flow or burdening parents with big upfront costs.)*

www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/   PH 1300 730 548 Option 1

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Chromebooks range in price from $550 to $650. However, the cost to families varies depending on the device selected, accessories selected, type of warranty/insurance selected and type of financing selected (if required).

Bring Your Own Device Requirements 2019

All students in Year 7 are expected to bring their own computing device to school every day. These devices are used in class and at home to support their learning.

The BYOD initiative is not intended to place an unreasonable burden on family finances. If you have a device at home, which you think suitable in the classroom, this is fine, provided it meets the required specifications listed below.

Further advice: Mark Snell *IT Technician*, Peter Gardiner *ICT Coordinator* 5967 1877.

	CHROMEBOOK *(School preferred Device)*	WINDOWS	MAC	TABLET with Keyboard
Operating System	ChromeOS	Win 7, 8.1, 10	10.8+	Android 5+ iOS10+
Screen	11.6"	11.6"	11.6"	7"+ 9.6" Recommended
Storage	32GB	128GB	128GB	16GB
Weight	Under 1.6kg	Under 1.6kg	Under 1.6kg	Under 1.6kg
Security	Not Required	Yes	Recommended	Not Required
Battery	More than 6 hours			
Wireless	2.5GHz/5GH			
Cover/Case	The device should have a protective case/cover.			
Protection	Accidental damage insurance is strongly recommended.			

Acceptable Use

The Responsibility and Expectations of Digital Citizenship

The College places a high value on the development and maintenance of positive, healthy and respectful relationships in a supportive environment for all members of the school community. This great opportunity for our students is accompanied with clear expectations about the responsible use and care of personal mobile devices.

It is the expectation that students are responsible digital citizens when participating in the BYOD Program and using the College's ICT infrastructure.

Students will practise responsible use of ICT and develop positive attitudes towards ICT that foster lifelong learning, personal growth, collaboration and productivity.

Students will be supported in developing digital citizenship through understanding the ethical, cultural and societal issues related to Information and Communication Technologies.

The College has a Digital Technologies Policy that includes clear guidelines for the responsible and appropriate use of ICT and is available to be viewed on our website www.uysc.vic.edu.au or on request from the College:

Students will accept responsibility for:

• Their personal actions when using ICT.

• The care and functionality of their device.

Cybersafety

Upper Yarra Secondary College believes that teaching cybersafety and responsible online behaviour is essential and is best taught in partnership with home and school.

To be safe online and to gain the greatest benefit from the opportunities provided through an online environment, students need to do the right thing by themselves and others.

Further support:

eHeadspace 1800 650 890

esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/get-help

 1800 55 1800 or https://kidshelpline.com.au/

Parentline 13 22 89 or education.vic.gov.au/about/contact/Pages/parentline.aspx