Yorketown Area School
Bring your own device policy

BYOD refers to technology models where students bring their own personal device to school for the purpose of learning.

Yorketown Area School is committed to aiding students and staff in creating a 21st Century learning environment.
To support us in delivering this initiative we have developed a BYOD Policy with standards and guideline to
- facilitate and promote the bringing of a computing device to school by all students from Years 7 -12 for use in their education
- provide a safe user environment for students
- ensure a minimum standard of device compatibility
- enable students to use technology to further their learning, independently and in structured lessons
- provide a basis on which Yorketown Area School teaching staff can continue to tailor lesson delivery so that students can use their devices in class toward specific learning outcomes.

Students and Parents
- All students in Years 7 -12 are able to bring a computing device to school each day
- The personal device must be able to be brought to school on each and every school day and be solely for the student to use throughout the day

Students and parents are responsible for ensuring the device brought to school meets all the requirements of the **Bring you own Device - Minimum device specifications and considerations** documentation
Device Specifications. A device which does not meet the specifications will not be permitted to access the school network and services.
- Prior to bringing a personal device for the first time, students and their parents must read and sign the **BYOD User Agreement** annually.
- Students must use their device in accordance with this **BYOD Policy**
- Students must follow teachers' directions as to appropriate use of their devices in class.
- Each student is absolutely and solely responsible for the care and conduct of his / her own personal device whilst at school and travelling to and from school. (students should have a lock on their locker)
- Parents and student should consider whether their device requires insurance and whether specific accidental loss and breakage insurance is appropriate for the device.
- Students must connect their device to the designated wireless data network supplied by Yorketown Area School using their own credentials only.
- Students must not connect to any other network, wired, wireless or cellular whilst at Yorketown Area School.
- Students must not bridge the School's designated network to any other network.
- Due to DECD Work Health and Safety restrictions, **students must bring their device to school fully charged** and should not bring any power chargers and cables to school with their device.
- Voice, video and image capture applications may only be used with teacher permission and relevant to the learning environment whilst being respectful of the rights of others.

Staff

➢ Teachers should encourage and facilitate the use of students' devices in their classes where they deem appropriate. Use of students' own devices in class is, however, at the sole discretion of the teacher.
➢ Staff will not allow any devices to be charged at the school

Yorketown Area School will:

➢ Promote the bringing of a computing device to school by all 7-12 students by ensuring the device specifications are designed so that a range of devices in capability and cost are suitable.
➢ Ensure all 7-12 students have access to technological resources in their required classes by maintaining a base set of laptops and computers for students who cannot access the BYOD program.
➢ Provide a BYOD Policy to list the responsibilities and expectations of each student and their families in the BYOD program
➢ Ensure a copy of the **BYOD User Agreement** is signed by each student and their parents prior to allowing the student's device to be brought to school.
➢ Publish a Device Specification that describes the requirements for devices brought to school.
➢ Provide a wireless network with filtered internet connection to which students may connect their BYOD program device
➢ Provide initial support to assist students with first bringing their device to school and establishing network connectivity.
➢ Accept no responsibility for loss or damage to or for maintenance or repair required on a student's own device. Devices are brought to school at the students' and parents' own risk.
➢ Should a student's device fail to meet a requirement of the Device Specification, the school will not facilitate the student access to any network or school services.