

## BDS Suggested Device Specifications

In 2024 all Boort District School students will be required to supply a BYOD for school. Below are the suggested specifications for devices. Tablets and Chromebooks are not appropriate as they do not support the applications required by the school.

Device Type	Windows Laptop (Year 5-12 use)	Mac Laptop (Year 5-12 use)	iPad (Year F-4 purchase)
<b>Operating System</b>	Windows 10 or 11	OSX 11 or higher	iOS 14 or higher
<b>CPU</b>	Intel i3 (or equivalent) or better	Intel i3 or better	
<b>Minimum Screen Size</b>	11" or bigger	11" or bigger	iPad or iPad Mini
<b>Storage/Hard Drive</b>	- 128 GB or larger in size. - SSD for speed	128GB SSD	Recommend 64GB or larger
<b>RAM</b>	8GB or greater	8GB or greater	
<b>Minimum Battery Life</b>	6 hrs or more	6 hrs or more	6 hrs or more
<b>Warranty</b>	Encourage 3yr	Encourage 3yr	Encourage 3yr
<b>Example Purchase Locations</b>	Harvey Norman JB HI FI Officeworks CentreCom BDS BYOD Portal – Edunet	<a href="http://www.apple.com.au">www.apple.com.au</a> BDS BYOD Portal – Edunet Officeworks JB HI FI Harvey Norman CentreCom	<a href="http://www.apple.com.au">www.apple.com.au</a> BDS BYOD Portal – Edunet Officeworks JB HI FI Harvey Norman CentreCom
<b>Software</b>	Google Chrome; Microsoft Office; Antivirus		
<b>Additional</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All students are eligible to download a free copy of Microsoft Office 365, as they have a 'school supplied' education-based email address. See the school's website for guide or instructions</li> <li>- Students must ensure that their files are regularly backed up.</li> </ul>		

Boort District School wants students to have an effective BYOD setup that will be reliable, supported and will last. As a school, we encourage the purchasing of devices that will have the physical capabilities (including warranty) to be usable and functional in both the home and classroom environment for many years. This is why we encourage specifications that

will last multiple years. We understand that purchasing ICT equipment is not always an easy or cheap option/decision for students and their parents. Computing requirements, capabilities and their options can become complex and overwhelming, which is not a situation we want our school community to be in.

We are providing a list of suggested specifications for both Notebooks and iPads that we hope will help to inform parents and students about what are key features to look for when choosing appropriate devices from any supplier. The suggested specs are aimed at devices which will last for a minimum of 3 years.

For parents/families that wish to have an easier option when purchasing a device for their child, Boort District School has partnered with Edunet to provide a BYOD Portal that has a small selection of devices that the school knows will work in school/classroom

<https://boortp12.technologyportal.com.au/>

Please access this link to see the options that are available through Edunet. Please contact the school if you need assistance.