

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOX) PROGRAM

Yeppoon State High School provides students the opportunity to engage in digital learning through the BYOx (Bring Your Own Device) program. This direction supports our students developing contemporary “21st century skills” which is a priority for all education nationally and internationally. These skills are a key component of the mandatory Australian Curriculum.

To have our students prepared to learn and work in a rapidly changing world, the BYOx program will support skill development in investigating, creating, communicating and collaborating with peers and other audiences. The BYOx devices will be used across a range of subjects for this purpose.

We are inviting all students to join the BYOx program. Year 7 and Year 8 students are required to have an iPad as their device. The iPad is portable and robust (in a suitable case) and provides opportunities to seamlessly create, communicate and collaborate in the classroom. Daily usage will include digital textbooks, taking photos, note taking, concept mapping, drafting, planning, report writing, making short i-movies, short formative assessments, polling, discussion boards, email, online course content (Learning Place), subject specific apps and online testing. For all other year levels, students will have a wider choice of devices.

DEVICE SELECTION

Before acquiring a device to use at school, the parent/carer and student should be aware of the school's specification for appropriate devices, including the operating system requirements and software. These specifications relate to the suitability of the device to enabling class activities, meeting student needs and promoting safe and secure access to the department's network. Refer to the **YSHS BYOx Minimum Specifications** (refer to page 4 of the BYOX YSHS charter) document.

The school's BYOx program may support printing, filtered internet access, and file access and storage through the department's network while at school. However, the school's BYOx program does *not* include school technical support for your device or charging of devices at school.

Any questions regarding the BYOx program can be emailed to 2123_BYOx@eq.edu.au

HOW TO JOIN THE BYOx PROGRAM

1. Purchase a device as per the minimum specifications (refer to page 4 of the charter), with iPads required for Year 7 and 8.
2. Read and sign the **YSHS BYOx PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT** and return to Student Services.
3. Pay the **\$50 annual fee (YEAR 7 AND 8 ONLY)** and take the receipt and your device (when notified by your Care Class teacher) to e-Services in B Block for on-boarding.