



Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

1. Rationale

Kirrawee High School recognises the use of technology as an important tool to support students and provide rich learning experiences. The school will remain responsive to rapidly evolving technologies, changes in Department of Education priorities, and the research that informs best learning practice.

Technology is at the core of students' lives, including communication, socialisation, and learning. The very presence of technology in all aspects of life is a powerful argument for its appropriate application in schools. Technology is a means to facilitate and enrich learning rather than adopting it as a goal in itself. It follows that is a complement to, rather than replacement for, traditional means such as writing, teacher instruction and books.

We are also empowering teachers and students to become digitally fluent and ethical users of technology. By facilitating *Bring Your Own Device* (BYOD), Kirrawee High School empowers students to become good digital citizens and use technology in appropriate and responsible ways.

2. Aims

- 2.1. To facilitate and promote in Years 7-12 the use of computing devices at school as tools for learning.
- 2.2. To provide a safe and productive environment in which students use devices to learn.
- 2.3. To ensure a minimum standard of device compatibility, supporting widespread adoption and utility of devices (see specifications below).
- 2.4. To use technology as a means of developing independent learners and to facilitate self-paced learning.
- 2.5. To tailor lessons that encourage students to use devices to achieve specific learning outcomes.

3. Implementation

- 3.1 Students in Years 7 – 12 (Stages 4, 5 & 6) are encouraged to bring a laptop device to support their learning and as needs require. Kirrawee High School's BYOD policy gives freedom to students and their families to tailor their choice of technology consistent with course and educational needs (see BYOD specifications on KHS website for specific details).

4. Associated Documents

- 4.1 [Code of Conduct Policy](#)
- 4.2 [Values in NSW Public Schools](#)
- 4.3 [DEC Privacy Code of Practice](#)
- 4.4 [Online Communication Services – Acceptable Usage for school students](#)





- 4.5 [Legal Issues Bulletin No. 35 November 2012](#) – Use of mobile phones, portable computer games, recording devices and cameras in schools
- 4.6 [Legal Issues Bulletin No. 8 September 2012](#) – Claims for loss of or damage to personal property
- 4.7 [Smartcopying](#) – Copyright guide for schools.

5. Evaluation

- 5.1 This policy will be evaluated on a yearly basis to review and update any technology requirements.

6. Contact

- 6.1 Head Teacher Administration and Personnel

