



BYOx Buying Guide

What should you buy?

Deciding what to buy and how much to spend on a Bring Your Own device can be very confusing. This document is designed as a guide only to outline what to look for. It does not provide recommendations of brands or companies to buy from. These are decisions that each family must make for themselves.

A laptop is the preferred BYO device. Laptops with the specifications of “Basic” as listed below, will meet the majority of your students’ needs at school. If they are studying Graphics, Senior Art or Computing they would be encouraged to look at the ‘Better’ specifications.

	Minimum (Minimum Specifications)	Recommended (Minimum Specifications)
Processor	Intel i5 or AMD Rizen 5	Intel i7 or AMD Rizen 7.
RAM	8GB	16GB or more
Hard Drive Capacity	256GB	Minimum 512GB
Ports	2 x USB	3 X USB
Screen	10” or user preference – larger the screen the heavier the device.	14” or 15” – again consider the trade off with weight.
Wifi	Essential	Essential
Operating System	Windows 11 or Mac OS	Windows 11 or Mac OS
Battery	Battery with charge to last at least 5 hours.	Battery with charge to last at least 5 hours.
AntiVirus Software	Mandated but Windows 11 comes with Windows Defender which is all that is required.	Mandated but Windows 11 comes with Windows Defender which is all that is required.
Carry Case	An impact resistant case is essential to protect your investment.	An impact resistant case is essential to protect your investment.

Incompatible Devices.

The following devices are incompatible with the Education Queensland network and will not be able to be used:

Windows RT	Linux	Android	Windows prior to Windows 8
Apple Mac OS prior to 10.10.3	Windows 10 S needs upgrading to function. This can be done with no cost but will need an internet connection.		

Where to purchase?

Computers meeting Morayfield State High School are available through a range of local providers as well as online. Most computer brands now also offer an education price through their online stores, when you search for “brand name” + “Education”.

We recommend that where possible you consider accidental damage and other insurance options.

School Locker

<https://theschoollocker.com.au/schools/morayfield-state-high-school>

Parents will need to create an account for Morayfield State High School, no school code required

JB-HIFI – Online

<https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/>

School Code: MORAYBYOD2023

HP – Online

www.hpshopping.com.au/morayfield

School Code: Morayfield

How much to spend?

The amount of money that you would expect to spend will depend on a number of issues. These include:

- The specifications you decide on in relation to the intended use of the device by your child.
- Whether you purchase a new or used device.
- Purchasing additional insurance.
- Where and when you purchase the device.