



# Everton Park State High School

An Independent Public School

## Acceptable Devices List 2021-2022

LAPTOP MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS	
Operating System	Windows 10 / Windows 11
Processor	Intel Core i5 /AMD RYZEN R5, 64-bit capable
Installed Memory (RAM)	8GB Memory
HDD (Hard drive)	250 GB or above SSD HDD
Wi-Fi	Built-in wi-fi supporting at least "N" (AC compatible preferred)
Screen	(Recommended) 15"+
Battery Life	6-8 hours
External Port	USB, Audio Out
Suggested Accessories	Mouse Protective case/cover Earphones/headphones

**Please note** Microsoft Office 365 is supplied **FREE** and can be downloaded with a student's EPSHS logon.

In all cases, **we strongly advise:**

### **Purchase a protective sleeve or carry case/bag**

A strong carry case is a great way to protect your device from accidental damage. Use a bag or case designed to hold a laptop with adequate padding.

### **Insurance**

Purchasing insurance is a personal choice. When purchasing your laptop please learn about your options to purchase *accidental damage protection* for your device. Ensure that this covers your device for accidental damage on and off the school campus. Fire, theft and Acts of God are usually not covered under these programs and we suggest you include it in your personal or home insurance, contacting your insurance company, so you are fully aware of what is covered. Insurance can be purchased with your computer vendor or any insurance company. All insurance claims must be settled between you and the insurance company.

### **Repairs and Maintenance**

Check the warranty period and any accidental damage options available at time of purchase. All maintenance for the device, operating system, software and/or apps purchased by the Student/Parent is the responsibility of themselves.

## Frequently Asked Questions

<p>What if I already own a laptop?</p>	<p>Many laptop devices will meet the basic needs for digital learning at EPSHS. The school's best advice to ensure that effective learning occurs is that the laptop meets the listed minimum device specifications.</p>
<p>What if I've bought an iPad?</p>	<p>Students can continue to use their existing iPad however these devices will have limited functionality on the school network. While students will be able to access the internet, they will not be able to access the network to print. Specialised software and programs requiring Flash capability will not operate on an iPad.</p> <p>The school's best advice to ensure that effective learning occurs is that the device meets the listed minimum device specifications.</p>
<p>What if I've bought a Chromebook?</p>	<p>Education Queensland schools do not support Linux Operating Systems which includes Google products. Chromebooks will not operate on the school network. The school's best advice to ensure that effective learning occurs is having a device that meets the listed minimum device specifications.</p>
<p>What's Windows S Mode</p>	<p>Windows S mode is Microsoft's offering to compete with Google Chromebooks. Both Windows S Mode and Chromebook are locked in to their stores, this means that you can only purchase/install programs from their relevant store and not install 3<sup>rd</sup> party programs. A 3<sup>rd</sup> party program called BYOX Mapper is needed to install the printer and Network drive and as such Windows S Mode is not supported. If you purchase a laptop with Windows S Mode you will need to consult the store you purchased from on how to upgrade windows to a full version.</p>
<p>Will my child be disadvantaged if I only get a device with minimum specs?</p>	<p>A device that meets the school's best advice for minimum specifications will allow students to perform the learning activities and tasks set at EPSHS.</p>
<p>Will my child be advantaged if I get a device with better than the minimum specs?</p>	<p>A device that meets the school's best advice for minimum specifications will allow students to perform the learning activities and tasks. While there is no school based advantage to exceeding the stated minimum specifications for the device, the student may be able to utilise the higher performance for home-based interests and activities.</p>
<p>What if my child is enrolled in Visual Art and Industrial Graphics?</p>	<p>Students enrolled in these subjects will need to purchase a device with Higher specifications (RAM, Graphics card and CPU), in order to allow more demanding products to be run.</p>