



Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham

A Catholic school in the Edmund Rice Tradition
Educating boys in Years 5 – 12 since 1891

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE POLICY

Rationale

Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham values the rich learning experiences that tightly integrated curriculum with technology brings. Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) empowers students and gives them direct involvement in the way they use technology in their learning.

This Document is to be read in conjunction with the:

- i. CBHS Lewisham Acceptable use Policy
- ii. BYOD User Agreement
- iii. Equity Policy Objectives

Aim

1. To facilitate and promote the bringing of a personal learning device to school by all students in Years 5-12 to use in their learning.
2. To provide a safe, reliable environment in which students can achieve Objective 1.
3. To ensure a minimum standard of device compatibility.
4. To enable students to use technology to further their learning, independently and in structured lessons.
5. To provide a basis on which Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham teachers can continue to tailor learning experiences so that students can use their devices in class toward specific learning outcomes.

Actions

a. Students and Parents/Carers

- All students in Years 5-12 are expected to bring a laptop to school each day.
- This device must meet the device specifications set out by CBHS. A device which does not meet the Specification will not have access to school networks and services.
- The laptop must be able to be brought to school on every school day and be solely for the student's own use .
- Prior to bringing a personal device for the first time, students and their parents must read and sign the BYOD User agreement which sets out the responsibilities and expectations for use of the personal device at Christian Brothers' High School.
- Students must use their device in accordance with the school's Acceptable Use Policy, and the BYOD User Charter.
- Students must follow teachers' directions as to appropriate use of their devices in class.
- Each student is absolutely and solely responsible for the care of his own laptop. This includes: at school or at other school activities - travelling to and from school or to and from other school activities
- Students must connect their device to the designated wireless data network supplied by Christian Brothers' High School using their individual user account credentials only. Students must not connect to any other network, wired, wireless or cellular.

b. Teachers

- Teachers should encourage and facilitate the use of students' devices in their classes where they deem appropriate. Use of students' laptops in class is, however, at the sole discretion of the teacher.
- Teachers should follow standard discipline procedures in case a student fails to bring their device, in the same manner as if a student fails to bring any other required material to class.

c. Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham

Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham will:

- Maintain a BYOD Equity Policy to ensure all students, no matter their family's financial means, have access to the computing resources, inside and outside of class time, that are required by their coursework.
- Provide a BYOD User Charter to list the responsibilities and expectations of each student and their families in the BYOD program.
- Ensure a copy of the BYOD User Charter is signed by each student and their parents prior to allowing the student's device to be brought to school.
- Publish a Device Specification that describes the requirements for devices brought to school pursuant to the BYOD program. This Device Specification may include requirements for devices specifications
- Provide a wireless network with filtered Internet connection to which students may connect their BYOD program device.
- Provide support to assist students with establishing network connectivity with the BYOD program device.
- Accept no responsibility for loss or damage to, or for maintenance or repair required on a student's own device through any act or omission resulting from the negligence or otherwise of the school, a member of the school staff or of another student.
- Should a student's device fail to meet a requirement of the Device Specification, the school will not facilitate the student's access to any network or school services. The school may direct a student to cease bringing a device to school, which does not meet all the requirements of the Device Specification.