

WE ENCOURAGE
YOU TO TAKE
THE NEXT STEP
IN ACHIEVING
YOUR CHILD'S
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ASHDALE SECONDARY COLLEGE
BRING YOUR OWN
DEVICE (BYOD)

 Achieving a Positive Future



Challenge their expectations

Why has Ashdale SC chosen to implement a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program for its students?

Technology and our society continues to grow and change, so too do the needs of our students. This is recognised by the introduction of the Western Australian Curriculum and West Australian Certificate of Education, and at Ashdale Secondary College we ensure that our students have the best possible opportunities to succeed within these through the use of technology.

The BYOD program allows students access to information anytime and anywhere as they utilise their personal devices to enhance opportunities for learning. The devices help schools engage this digital generation by nurturing individual learning experiences.

As part of an international move towards individualising learning, BYOD programs assist in increasing independence and self-initiated learning in students, and encourage them to extend their

learning beyond the classroom. As students involve themselves in global communication, collaborative skills and creative expression develop, further enhancing what is being learned.

At Ashdale Secondary College, technology is used within the classroom to enhance the curriculum and provide stimulating and educational learning experiences for students. Students of the 21st Century are already part of a global community and staff support them in building awareness of the balance needed between technology and practical learning activities.

Students are able to create, collaborate, share and explore in a safe and enjoyable way. The variety of engaging activities that a personally owned device allows, makes them invaluable learning tools for all students.

Why do we recommend an Apple device?

The College has recommended the Apple Macbook and iPad because they both allow students to:

- work in an environment where information can be seamlessly transferred to and from their peers and teacher
- create content, collaborate easily and distribute/publish their work creatively through the broad suite of Apple educational software
- access a variety of educational resources and apps available through the App Store
- focus on learning and complete work without the issues related to viruses
- easily connect to a home network or use as a stand alone computer
- have additional safety measures for online security through parental controls
- use a lightweight and portable tool to demonstrate creative solutions in their learning, anytime
- participate in classroom and global discussions via the Facetime app
- be ethical users of technology and lifelong learners through Apple online tutorials

Further Information

- Please refer to the Device Specification sheet for the minimum specifications required for a device to operate on the Ashdale SC network.
- Read about the enhanced learning programs at schools already implementing Bring Your Own Device programs or have a look at the Macbook specifications on the Apple website at <http://www.apple.com/au/education/real-stories/>.

Access to Technology

There are many benefits for students having 24 hour access to technology. These include:

- students are readily able to share their progress with their families
- families use the same technology that students use at school
- students can easily work on school revision through links such as blogs, websites and Connect
- increased capacity to complete homework
- access to online tutorials and resources while working away from the teacher
- creation of a forum for communication when the student is home from school
- assistance from students and teachers via wikis, iChat video chatting, Connect and email
- access to tools such as calculators, Google Earth and dictionaries are only a tap away
- teach students how to manage their digital footprint and conduct themselves appropriately and ethically online