

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Specifications for MHS

The following are not requirements of the “Bring Your Own Device” program, but are recommended considerations that you should direct your attention to:

Form Factor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Laptop, tablet device or convertible deviceA tablet should have a physical keyboard attachment.A mobile phone is not an acceptable device
Physical Dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Minimum Screen Size: 10”Maximum Recommended Screen Size: 14”Maximum weight: 2kg
Operating System	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Microsoft Windows 11 (Home, Pro or Education editions are supported)Apple Mac OS X 14 or newer
Battery Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Advertised battery life of at least six hours(There are no facilities to charge laptops in classrooms)
Hardware	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Minimum RAM: 4GBDrive configuration: Solid State Drive (SSD)Protective cover/sleeveAccidental loss or damage insurance

Software Requirements

Students will require specific software to execute various academic tasks. Prior to purchasing any software, please consider the following:

- Google Apps:** All students can use Google Apps to create, store, and share documents, presentations, and spreadsheets at no additional cost. This suite operates in the cloud, allowing seamless access across different devices and operating systems. As student email accounts are hosted on Google, access to Google Apps is automatically included.
- Microsoft Office:** Students can access Microsoft Office for free via their Student Portal. These applications are available for both Mac and Windows operating systems and include essential tools like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, which are crucial for completing school assignments. It is crucial that students independently download and install these applications as per the guidelines provided.

Downloading Software

- Microsoft Office:** Students can download Microsoft Office 365 from the DET Student Portal. The license provided allows installation on only one device per student.
- Adobe Software:** Students interested in more specialized creative tools can download software from the Adobe Creative Suite, including Photoshop, Illustrator, and Acrobat. These tools are available for free through the Student Portal and can be a requirement for specific courses that involve graphic design, digital art, or document management.

Additional Software Requirements

- Depending on the course requirements, students may need to download additional software. This will be specified by the subject teacher. The software will always be free to download and install.