



# Acceptable Use Agreement for BYO Devices [BYOD]

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**Brookside P-9 College** believes in the teaching of eSafety, responsible online behaviour and the ethical use of digital technologies being essential in the lives of students. This is best learnt collaboratively between school and at home. Today's students spend increasing amounts of time accessing digital technologies and online, learning and collaborating. To be safe online and to gain the greatest benefit from the opportunities provided through an online environment, students need to be taught appropriate behaviours and expectations when accessing digital technologies and the World Wide Web.

Safe and responsible behaviour is explicitly taught at our school and parents/carers are requested to reinforce this behaviour at home. Some online activities are illegal and as such will be reported to police.

## School Support for the Safe and Responsible Use of Digital Technologies

**Brookside P-9 College** uses online spaces, the internet and digital technologies as teaching and learning tools. We see the internet and digital technologies as valuable resources, but acknowledge they must be used responsibly. Your child has been asked to agree to use digital technologies, the internet and online spaces responsibly at school. *Parents/carers should be aware that the nature of the internet is such that full protection from inappropriate content can never be guaranteed.*

At **Brookside P-9 College** we:

- teach eSafety and the safe, ethical and responsible use of digital technologies and internet access in an ongoing format
- have policies in place that outline the values of the school and expected behaviours when students use digital technologies and the internet
- provide a filtered internet service
- provide supervision and direction in online activities and when using digital technologies
- support students in developing digital literacy skills
- use mobile devices for educational purposes, such as taking photos or videos
- provide support to parents/carers to understand this agreement and reinforce agreed behaviours

## Conditions of use

A **BYOD** device is a device brought to College by the student. The parent/carer is responsible for managing any warranty claims that arise. To ensure the device can connect to the College's internet, parent/carer's are required to ensure that minimum specifications (as set out by the College's IT department) are met.

**The student is responsible for:**

- Adhering to the College's Acceptable Use Agreement or Student Engagement Policy when using the machine, both at home and the College.
- Backing up data securely.
- Maintaining settings for virus protection, spam and filtering that have been specified as per DET standard requirements.
- The College retains the right to check the device for any material that may be deemed offensive/illegal.
- The College retains the right to confiscate the device should the device contain offensive and/or illegal material or the student displays behaviour whilst using the device that will distract learning or the wellbeing of others.
- Students must not play games on devices during College time.
- The College does not own these devices, therefore it is the parent/carer responsibility to investigate and purchase insurance for the device. The College highly recommends that devices are covered by some form of accidental damage and loss insurance policy.

**Gaming Consoles and Music Devices**

Students must not bring gaming consoles and/or music devices to College without permission from a teacher. Gaming consoles are to be used for educational purposes only and always under the supervision of a teacher.

**Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones are not permitted to be used by students at Brookside P-9 College in accordance with the Brookside P-9 College student mobile phone policy.