



'Bring Your Own Device' Policy

Rationale

Leumeah High School values the rich learning experiences that tightly integrated interactions with technology brings to the learning of all students. Engaging students in the classroom at a time of educational, societal and technological change is paramount to meet their future needs. The promotion and advancement of this technological integration is core to the school's educational philosophies and direction of the 2018-2020 school plan.

By facilitating Bring Your Own Device (BYOD), Leumeah High School empowers its students and gives them direct involvement in the way they use technology in their learning. At the same time, BYOD enables teachers to build on their experiences in the classroom and adapt teaching methods to create enhanced engagement in learning in a future focused domain. The integration of essential basic skills combined with successful technology integration will allow students to foster their own confidence and skill set, setting them up for success in an ever changing work force beyond school.

References

- i. Leumeah High School Discipline Policy
- ii. BYOD User Charter
- iii. *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Use for Students (PD/2002/0046/V04)*

Objectives

1. To facilitate and promote the use of a personal computing device for educational purposes in the classroom.
2. To provide a safe environment for students to further Objective 1.
3. To ensure students maximize their learning through the use of an Apple iPad and embed technology skills
4. To enable students to use technology to further their learning, independently and in structured lessons.
5. To provide a basis on which Leumeah High School teachers can continue to tailor lesson delivery so that students can use their devices in class toward specific learning outcomes.

Actions

(A) Students and Parents/Carers

- All students involved in the self-select Apple iPad class are expected to bring their device to school each day.
 - Students may bring their device from the start of Term 1.
 - Families of students entering the school in Year 7 and into the self-select class in 2019 will receive specific information to support the transition to high school.
- This device must be:
 - An Apple iPad which is 9 inches or larger with its 3g or 4g capabilities disabled.
 - Operating IOS 11 or greater. This will ensure all students can access the apps required in their learning.
- The personal device must be able to be brought to school on each and every school day and be solely the student's to use throughout the school day.
- Students and Parents are responsible for ensuring the device brought to school meets all the requirements of the **Device Specifications**. A device which does not meet the Specifications will not be permitted access to school networks and services. The department's Wi-Fi network installed in high schools operates on the **802.11n 5Ghz standard**. An Apple iPad has been

specifically selected as it meets these specifications.

- Students requiring the use of an alternate device, for medical or therapeutic reasons, which does not meet the Device Specification must apply for and receive an exemption from the Specification before bringing such a device through the Deputy Principal of the year group. The application should be in the form of a letter addressed to the Deputy Principal and should state the reason for the request for exemption. Any supporting documentation such as medical certificates should be included.
- Prior to bringing a personal device for the first time, students and their parents must read and sign the **BYOD User Charter** which sets out the responsibilities and expectations for use of the personal device at Leumeah High School.
- Students must use their device in accordance with the school's Code of Conduct, Discipline Policy, the Department of Education and Communities' policy *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Use for Students* (PD/2002/0046/V04) and the BYOD User Charter, made up of, the **Student User Agreement and Student Responsibilities for Leumeah High School**.
- Students must follow teachers' directions as to appropriate use of their devices in class.
- Each student is absolutely and solely responsible for the care and conduct of his or her own personal device whilst:
 - 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 Leumeah High School using their own, 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' own devices 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.
- Teachers should embed technology into their teaching programs, experiences and daily lesson structure. This technology immersion aligns itself to the Model of Learning embraced at Leumeah High School focusing on enhancing student learning opportunities and engagement.
- Reserve the right to confiscate a device should a student be using it in a manner deemed inappropriate.

(C) Leumeah HighSchool

- Maintain a **BYOD Equity Policy** to ensure all students involved in the BYOD arrangements, have access to the computing resources through a third party provider approved by the school, inside and outside of class time, that are required by their coursework.
- Provide a **BYOD User Charter compromised of a Student User Agreement and Student Responsibilities** 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.
- Provide a wireless network with filtered Internet connection to which students may connect their BYOD program device.
- Provide support to assist students with first bringing their device to school and 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 an Apple Ipad, 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 BYOD policy at Leumeah High School.