

LAIDLEY SHS

BYOD Program Information
2022



Laidley State High School - Digital Futures

Over the last decade teaching and learning has moved progressively toward digital platforms, thus allow teachers and students to connect beyond the classroom.

At LSHS we offer three options for students to part of our BYOD program. These are:

- ▶ Digital Futures Pathways
 - ▶ BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)
 - ▶ SCHOOL TAKE HOME HIRE PROGRAM
 - ▶ SCHOOL TAKE HOME EQUITY PROGRAM (Ongoing)



Why BYOD?

- ▶ In 2015 we undertook a process of extensive consultation to look at future possibilities
 - ▶ visits to trial schools who had already implemented BYOD to learn from their journey
 - ▶ Met with the BYOD team from Education Queensland to learn processes and ask questions
 - ▶ Formed the Laidley SHS BYOD working party (students, staff, parents and P&C representatives) - 10 hours of meetings to make sure we considered all aspects and listened to all voices
- ▶ We understand that this will present some challenges for our community. Our program recognises that and as such has a number of ways to support families to be part of the program.
- ▶ We know that if we look 10 years down the track, every student will be bringing a device to enable them to engage in their learning. As a school community, we have invested so much to help our students succeed that if we sit back and wait, we will lag behind.



Supporting Parents to Buy BYOD Devices

- ▶ Schools cannot purchase and on-sell to parents
- ▶ Schools must be fair to individual companies when providing parents with information to purchase devices
- ▶ Minimum standards and operating system compatibility is defined in the Digital Futures Guidelines and on slide 10



OPTION 1 - Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

- ▶ Available to all students YEAR 7 TO 12 from 2022
- ▶ From 2022 there is no annual fee to connect to the school BYOD network
- ▶ Devices must meet minimum specifications - see slide 9 or page 5 of the guide
- ▶ Microsoft Office can be installed free on student or staff personal devices
- ▶ Must have up to date virus protection as per the guidelines
- ▶ Complete and return the Agreement prior to connection to the school BYOD network



OPTION 2 - School Take Home Hire Program

- ▶ Devices have been purchased and as such the fee for hiring devices increased
- ▶ Hire fee of \$300/year with a fee structure for damage/repair of devices
- ▶ There is no plan for an AT SCHOOL HIRE SCHEME - all devices are taken home
- ▶ Complete and return the Agreement prior to connection to the school BYOD network and prior to device being issued
- ▶ Fee structure for damage/repair. This is to be determined as the cost of repairs will depend on the available warranty agreements but will be communicated with any parent/guardian who signs up to be part of the Hire program.



OPTION 3 - Equity Program

- ▶ The LSHS Equity Program allows families who may be experiencing financial difficulties the ability to work with the school to provide devices for their student/s.
- ▶ The Equity Program provides students the same device and access as the Laidley SHS Laptop Hire Program but at a reduce cost
- ▶ In order to be considered, families are required to fill in an Equity Program form along with the Digital Futures Pathway and Responsible Use Agreement Form. These are submitted along with evidence/documenting support and the School's BYOD team will make a decision regarding the application



Step by Step Guide:

1. Decide on the preferred option
2. Complete the LSHS Digital Futures Responsible use Agreement
3. Return the form to the school office by Thursday of Week 8
4. For BYOD, ensure you have read and understood the requirement of the devices you are purchasing - it is very important you follow the recommended guidelines

Note: If you purchase prior to the close of the school year, the instructions to onboard the computer for School set up are attached. There is no rush to do this as all year 8 students will be set up here at school next year in week 1.



Device Requirements - all outlined on page 5

- ▶ Operating Systems O/S - Windows 10 or Mac OSX 10.5 (Catalina) or higher
- ▶ RAM/memory - 4GB but 8GB is recommended
- ▶ HDD/SSD/Storage - 64GB but 128 is recommended, SSD is preferred over HDD
- ▶ Screen Size - at least 11.6 inch on the diagonal
- ▶ WiFi/Wireless Standard - *Supports 802.11ac (WIFI 5) or better (WIFI 6 is the newest standard). This is important as older WIFI are not likely to be supported.*
- ▶ *Battery run time - at least 6 hours*
- ▶ *Insurance - recommended and in particular the use of a carry case*
- ▶ *Office/Adobe/antivirus - Students receive free Microsoft Office and Adobe Creative Cloud licenses. Windows 10 and Mac OSX do not require 3rd party Anti-Virus/Security programs.*
- ▶ **NO CHROME BOOKS, ANDROID DEVICES (PHONES/TABLETS), iOS (iPADS/iPHONES) or LINUX DEVICES**