

Student Devices

In the Senior Years (Years 10-12) of schooling at Carmichael College students are required to purchase, and bring to school each day, a laptop to meet the complexity of the curriculum. School licensing arrangements currently enable students to download the Office Suite, and other relevant software, onto their laptop at no additional cost.

The recommended specs for the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program are:

- New
- Apple MacBook
- 256 GB SSD Storage
- 8GB RAM
- Latest MacOS
- Many retailers offer leasing and/or payment plans. Carmichael College recommends The School Locker as the one-stop-shop for all your school supply needs.

As these are family-owned devices, purchasing decisions are left to parents and caregivers. In situations of significant financial hardship, families are invited to contact the school to make suitable arrangements.

It should be noted that while the minimum specs are all that is required, for students intent on studying computer-intensive subjects (such as Media subjects), it would be worth talking with the relevant teachers and Heads of Department. We are committed to providing what is necessary for all students to successfully complete their studies with a minimum-spec machine as described, but there are some advantages to considering a computer with more memory and RAM or choosing to purchase some high-end software. These are ultimately private decisions for families to make.

Our view is that a moderately-priced laptop will adequately meet their educational needs and should last students for the entirety of their senior schooling and potentially through tertiary study as well.

