



St Joseph's College, Albany

Bring Your Own Digital Device for 2026

The following guidelines will help you purchase a device for your child in the junior or secondary school. Students in Year Six to Twelve **MUST HAVE** their own device for 2026.

Your chosen device must meet all of the following requirements:

Form Factor	Laptop, Tablet or Convertible Device
Physical Dimensions	Minimum Screen Size: 9.7"
Supported Operating Systems	Microsoft Windows 10 or 11 (Preferably not S mode) macOS (iOS, Android and Chromebook NOT compatible)
Input Device	Keyboard with Touchpad <i>(Tablets must have a keyboard accessory)</i>
Battery Life	Minimum of 6 hours advertised battery life. It is recommended the device supports charging via USB-C, this will ensure it is compatible with charging stations available at the College.
RAM	Minimum of 8GB (16GB Recommended)
Hard Disk	Solid State Drive, minimum of 128GB capacity

Other Essential Requirements:

Protection	A hard case, or bag
Insurance	Accidental Loss and or Breakage Insurance – parents must organise this through the retailer or on their own home policy.

Software Requirements

The St Joseph's College IT Department will install all required software when configuring your device for the network.

Where To Buy?

In store:

Retravisision
Harvey Norman
Leading Edge Computers
Concept Tech Albany
Officeworks
Bits and Bytes - Mt Barker

Online:

Dell.com.au
Microsoftstore.com.au (Student discounts available)
Jbhifi.com.au
Retravisision.com.au

Frequently Asked Questions

- Does my Device need to be set up for the College network?**
 Yes, all new devices need to be configured by the IT Department for the College network. Your device can be dropped off at the College, with the form below, from Monday the 19th of January 2026 to ensure it is ready for the start of the 2026 school year.
- Do I need to purchase Microsoft Office?**
 No, the College will provide and install Microsoft Office.
- Does the College offer any Internet Filtering?**
 Yes, while the device is at school. For information about managing internet at home download the Cyber Safety Beacon App or visit <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>
- Does the College offer any Anti-virus?**
 Yes, if your computer doesn't have an active Anti-Virus subscription the College will install and configure Windows Defender Advanced Threat Protection.

Please direct any further questions to dave.polette@cewa.edu.au

I, _____ give St Joseph's College permission to configure my
 son's/daughter's computing device with Serial Number _____ for the College
 network. This will include the installation of Microsoft Office

The Computer Password is: _____

I can be contacted on _____ if there are any issues or my device is ready for collection.

Parent Name: _____ Student Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____