

Re: Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program

Dear Parents.

Using the right technology is an essential part of education here at Aberdeen Hall. The ability to create, communicate, research and share is greater than ever before.

Aberdeen Hall has a BYOD program that requires students in Grade 6-12 to bring in their laptop for educational use while at school. The requirements for these laptops are as follows:

- A Good Battery Life This is probably the most important issue we see at the school. Students will want a laptop that has enough battery to get you through the day.
- An English Operating System Chrome OS, Windows 10 or MacOS
- An Attached Keyboard Phones do not qualify for our BYOD and are not allowed during class time. An iPad with an accessory keyboard is allowed but can present some additional challenges so they are not recommended unless the student is very comfortable navigating it on their own.

School owned devices will still be used for projects that require specific software and operating systems so students do not need to bring in the most high-end, expensive machines on the market. To help you make some decisions on what type of device is recommended, please see the <u>Student Computer Buyer's Guide</u>.

We realize that participation in our BYOD Program may initiate many questions. As such, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours truly,

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