



BYOD Specifications 2026

What type of device can I use and what are the specifications?

Chromebook is not recommended.

From 2026, all Year 3 students will be required to use an ICB school-provided iPad as part of the College's digital learning program. Parents/guardians will be required to sign an iPad agreement outlining the terms of use, care responsibilities, and payment arrangements. The cost of the device will be payable by families through instalments, as advised by the College. Year 3 students should not purchase a BYOD device, as the school-provided iPad will be the required learning device for this year level.

For Primary students Year 4 to 6, ICB recommends *Surface GO* or equivalent device with a minimum below specifications

1. 10.5 inch Touch screen
2. Intel I3 or above
3. 4GB System memory
4. 128GB Storage
5. PEN and Keyboard
6. Windows 10/11 **Pro, Enterprise** (try to avoid Home edition (will work with workaround) but definitely **Not Windows 10S or 11S and RT versions**)

Optional:

1. Screens protector
2. Fitted Protective Cover
3. Microsoft Surface Go Complete Student Tablet Extended Warranty (Up To 3 Years inc. ADP (2 Claims). \$99 Exc Per Claim)



For Secondary students Year 7 to 12, ICB recommends *Surface Pro* or equivalent device with a minimum below specifications

1. 12.3 inch Touch screen
2. I5 or above
3. 8GB System memory
4. 128GB Storage
5. PEN and Keyboard
6. Windows 10/11 **Pro, Enterprise** (try to avoid Home edition (will work with workaround) but definitely **Not Windows 10S or 11S and RT versions**)

Optional:

1. Screens protector
2. Fitted Protective Cover
3. Microsoft Surface Pro Complete for Student + ADP (Up to 3 Years Cover, 2 claims, with excess)

More information about the device is available from the following link:

How can I order a Surface device?

Portal Link: www.jbeducation.com.au/byod

School Code (Parent Access): ICOBBYOD2026

BYOD Toolkit for Parents

<https://www.jbhifi.business/education/parent-hub>

Parent Support Links:

- <https://www.jbeducation.com.au/support>
- [FAQs](#)



Q: Why does the BYOD devices need a pen?

A Surface pen provides a number of functions. It operates as a mouse would and can be used to navigate, select and access context-sensitive menus. However, its primary use is to write directly onto the surface of the screen. As a tablet device, this allows students to interact directly with information on the screen without using pen and paper. Students can edit documents, make notes, correct and mark work, complete forms on the electronic device but not easily able to be typed onto. In particular, students can use the active pen for mathematics, where the script and notation are not easily accessible on a keyboard.

Q: Can I connect my phone?

No, mobile phones, and any device with portable internet is not allowed in the school.

Q: Does the ICB supply any free software?

Yes, all students are eligible to download and install following software:

- **Office Professional Plus** – Word, Excel, PowerPoint etc (Up to 5 personal devices) – Login using student email and password to <https://portal.office.com>
- **Adobe Creative Cloud** - Photoshop, Illustrator etc (Year 7 to 12) Please visit and adobe.com and use student email and password
- **Box of Books (Secondary only)**
- **OntheHUB** <https://icbrisbane.onthehub.com/> – Discounted software- using student email and password
- **ArcGIS** (Year 7 to 12)- using student email and password

Q: What do I do if my device is lost, stolen, broken or faulty?

It is the family's responsibility to rectify this; however, whilst this is being carried out, the student may borrow a device from the school for a short period until the original device is fixed. If the repair takes more than 5 days, we may ask for proof for repair submission to continue to lend the device to the student.

Q: Can parents login student's Windows account with their own Office 365 credentials?

Keep your personal and school lives separate by creating an education-focused account for the student on your PC. Please do not use the student account to perform your daily tasks and use your private Office 365 credentials to avoid distraction on students learning. Instead, create a separate Windows Account if you need to share the same device.