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Student Device Program

Laptops for learning

At Banksia Park International High School, we are futures focused and committed to preparing students for a rapidly changing digital world. Every student is expected to have access to a laptop, with technology used across the curriculum to support learning and develop essential skills including critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration and digital literacy. Through the intentional use of digital tools and platforms, students build the confidence and capability to navigate, evaluate and create information as responsible global and digital citizens.

We believe technology should be used with purpose and intention, enhancing student learning rather than becoming a distraction from it. Our Student Device Program is designed to provide a safe, consistent and focused digital learning environment. By using school-managed devices, we can implement appropriate digital safeguards, manage software and applications, and minimise distractions such as gaming and other non-learning activities during class time. This approach supports student safety and wellbeing, encourages responsible technology use and helps young people develop positive digital habits.

BPIHS partners with Learning with Technologies (LWT) to provide reliable, school-approved devices at educational pricing through the Student Device Portal. Students requiring a new device are expected to purchase through the portal, ensuring their laptop is compatible with school software and can be managed and supported by the BPIHS ICT Team. Devices purchased outside the portal are not supported under the BPIHS Student Device Program. Families experiencing financial difficulty are encouraged to contact their relevant Year Level Leader to discuss available support options.

The Benefits

- School managed devices support focused learning and minimise distractions
- Appropriate digital safeguards and controls
- Consistent expectations and device management
- Access to reliable, commercial-grade devices at competitive education pricing.
- Payment plans available to help families manage the cost of purchasing a device.
- School approved devices for compatibility with school software and systems.
- Devices are pre-configured for school Wi-Fi, printing and learning platforms, reducing setup time.
- BPIHS ICT Team manages device configuration, software updates, warranty claims and repairs.

How to order a student device

Devices purchased via the Student Device Portal will be shipped directly to the school ready for collection in January 2027. Devices purchased after the 4th of January will be shipped to the school for collection and setup from our ICT Helpdesk once the school year has commenced.

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Administration

BPIHS understands that the device purchased may be used for both schoolwork and personal activities, such as gaming, music, and other non-school related tasks. By default, students and parents/caregivers will not have administrative access to the device. However, they can choose to opt into this option once students begin school.

BPIHS can either grant administrative access to the student account or set up a separate parent account. In some cases, families may request assistance from the BPIHS ICT Helpdesk to install software, such as accessibility tools or other educational software.

Internet Access

Banksia Park International High School utilises the Department for Education's SWiFT Internet connection, firewall, internet filtering, and cyber welfare solution. Due to the school's need to provide an online duty of care, and in line with the SA Government Mobile Phone ban, students are not permitted to 'hotspot' (or tether) their laptop to a mobile device while at school.

Printing

Students will have access to photocopiers throughout the school. Printing costs have been set to cover the expenses of printing. If students exceed their allocated quotas, additional printing credit can be purchased from the Student Services.

Loan Devices

Banksia Park International High School recognises that students may require temporary access to a device in certain circumstances. Subject to availability, the school may provide loan devices under the following arrangements:

- Daily Loan: Available for students who do not wish to purchase a device through the school portal or who have temporarily forgotten their device. Daily loans are issued for short-term use and must be returned at the end of each school day.
- Short-Term Loan: Available for students whose school portal-purchased device is being repaired. A loan device may be issued for a 6-week maximum loan period, subject to availability.
- Long-Term Loan: Available for families who hold a School Card or are experiencing financial hardship. Access to long-term loan devices will be assessed on a case-by-case basis in consultation with school leadership and the IT Department.

All loan devices remain the property of Banksia Park International High School and must be used in accordance with the school's ICT Agreement.

Leaving BPIHS

When a student leaves BPIHS, they can bring their device to ICT for re-imaging with a base image, or to have BPIHS management removed, depending on the device. The base image will contain only the software the student is legally entitled to. If the student leaves the school while the laptop is still under warranty, they can receive warranty support directly from the device supplier.