IVANHOE GRAMMAR SCHOOL
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For Year 10 – 12 Students Only

BYOD Program 2026

Dear Parents

A notebook computer is a compulsory requirement for all students in Years 7-12 at Ivanhoe Grammar School. Students entering Year 10 - 12 have the option of either purchasing a computer outright through the School's 1:1 computer program, or purchasing a computer themselves and having it configured for use on the School's network by IT Services.

If you select the latter option, please note that the computer must adhere to these requirements:

BYOD Devices

- At least 16 gigabytes of memory is recommended

- Enterprise Virus Protection software Palo Alto Cortex XDR will be installed on your device as part of the onboarding process. This is managed by IT to ensure it is kept up-to-date with virus definitions to protect your computer and our network.

- Microsoft office software suite is supplied through the School

Windows Notebook

- Windows 10/11 **Pro** or **Education** is recommended (proof of authenticity may be requested). **Home** is acceptable, it will require more time to set up.

- ARM Devices although supported are not currently recommended due to some hardware/software limitations.

Apple Mac Notebook

- The Operating System must be MacOS 14 or higher

Please note you will be required to:

- Pay a Service Levy – $50 each time IT Services have to configure the notebook to the School network. This will need to be paid before we take in the laptop

- Complete and return the attached form.
  The School also strongly recommends the purchase of:

- Extended 3 Year Warranty – most retail machines will include a limited one year warranty on some parts. This should be upgraded to cover 3 years.

- Comprehensive Notebook Insurance – most home contents insurance allow notebooks to be added as a mobility option, though the excess per claim may be high.
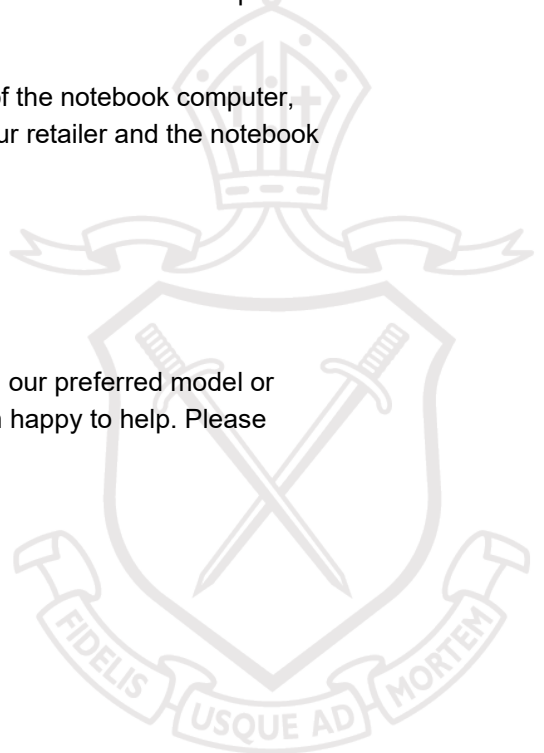
- A suitable notebook case.

It is worth noting the following:

- Retail stores often will not offer on-site servicing – history has shown students often experiencing long delays in servicing (upwards of a month in some instances without a replacement notebook).

- IT Services Staff cannot service the hardware of an external machine as this would void the manufacturer's warranty.

- Technical support from outside providers can be expensive should you have problems with the software. IT Services support on School Program notebooks is free.

- The cheapest retail price you see may not include a comprehensive insurance policy, extended warranty or additional software which is included in the price of all computers in the 1:1 computer program.

- Whilst IT Services will assist with the configuration of the notebook computer, hardware support will continue to be provided by your retailer and the notebook vendor.

If you have any queries regarding the School's 1:1 Computer Program, our preferred model or purchasing a notebook outside the program, IT Services are more than happy to help. Please contact us on: 9490 1818 or itshelpdesk@ivanhoe.com.au.

Yours sincerely

Leyton Miles
Business Manager

OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAM NOTEBOOKS

The following checklist details the aspects of the machine specification that are at minimum mandated to ensure that they function in our environment:

Windows Notebook

16GB RAM   ☐

Apple Notebook

MacOS 14 or higher   ☐

16GB RAM   ☐

I confirm the following:

- I have read and understand the requirements for using an Out of School Program notebook computer.
- My laptop meets the mandated requirements as specified above.
- I understand that should the notebook require re-configuration to the School Network a charge of $50 (Inc GST) will need to be paid per incident.
- I consent to an Asset tag being placed on my device so IT can send automated notifications to me when my device is ready.
- I have a current backup of my data (Anytime a system configuration change is being applied, in the event of data loss a current backup is required by you)
- I consent to have Virus Protection software Palo Alto Cortex XDR installed onto my child's notebook computer.
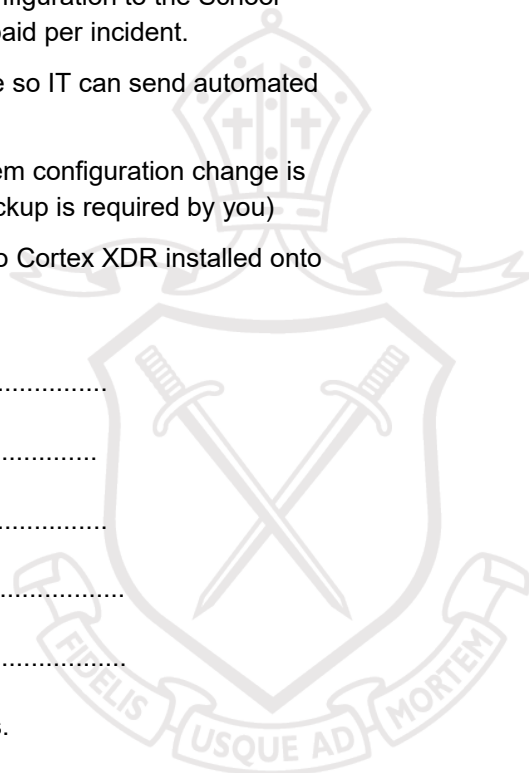
Student Name: ....

Student ID: .... Year: ....

Parent/Guardian Name: ....

Signature: ....

Date: ....

Please return completed form to IT Services.

Manufacturer	
Model	
Operating System (Win/Mac)	
Operating System Version	
Serial #	
School Username	
Personal Computer Username	
Personal Computer Password	
Mobile Phone number	

☐ I confirm that the $50 excess has been paid BEFORE bringing in my laptop

For IT Services Use Only			
Checklist Complete	Notebook setup	HelpMaster Updated	